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LONDON STREET TRAGEDY: Wreckage of a twin-engine RAF transport plane lies in street (left) after it crashed atop the roof of a crowded double-decker electric trolley bus (right) in a congested London street. Two fliers were killed, seven in the bus were injured.

Deny Williamson Bail in Deportation Witch-Hunt

The Justice Department went back to Palmer Raid days yesterday when FBI agents arrested John Williamson, Communist Party labor secretary, rushed him off to Ellis Island and refused to release him on bail. Williamson's co-workers in the leadership of the Party, William Z. Foster and Eugene Dennis, immediately blasted the arrest as the latest step threatening "the peace, liberties and security of all Americans."

Williamson was picked up in the morning by waiting FBI agents as he emerged from his home at 4500 Broadway. He was immediately speeded to Ellis Island and it was several hours before his attorney was able to see him.

Meanwhile Mrs. Carol King, general counsel for the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born, sought to arrange bail with the Attorney General's office in Washington.

The Justice Department, reversing all procedure in similar recent cases, refused to accept bond. Lawyers pointed out that the Federal Court, in the early twenties, had ruled it illegal to hold victims without bail. That decision was rendered during the Palmer Raids which followed the first World War.

Williamson's arrest followed closely the recent actions against Alexander Bittelman and Claudia Jones, also national Communist leaders. Abner Green, head of the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born, warned that "the Justice Department is seeking to turn Ellis Island into America's first concentration camp" by holding defendants "imprisoned indefinitely for years until the Supreme Court can rule" on whether actions based on political charges are legal.

CHARGES UNKNOWN

Efforts to obtain particulars in the government's charges against Williamson were unavailing. The 45-year-old Communist leader has been active in the labor movement since the age of 15 when he worked as a patternmaker in the Seattle shipyards. Born in San Fran-



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Garfield Hays Rips Anti-Red Bill at Hearing

By Gerald Cook

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Arthur Garfield Hays, of the American Civil Liberties Union, today opposed anti-Communists legislation as challenging "the rights of all political minorities." The prominent

Murray Backs ERP Plan at Shipyard Meet

Special to the Daily Worker

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10. — Philip Murray, national CIO president gave his blessing to the Marshall Plan, his disapproval to a third party, and called for wage increases at the 13th national convention of the Shipbuilders Union. The delegates in response gave unanimous approval to his leadership.

Murray declared he had faith that ERP was designed solely for rehabilitation and relief, because he had received assurances to that effect from the Secretary of State. "Marshall's judgment coincides with the CIO judgment," he asserted.

Murray also proposed that effective controls to the Marshall Plan be made to prevent "profit mongering."

HITS WALLACE MOVEMENT

Of the Wallace movement, the CIO president asserted that "it can only split, splinter and divide." He said that he had never been consulted regarding the formation of a third party and added: "I don't know of any important labor leader that was consulted."

He made it plain that while he felt that all the CIO internationals should have abided by the anti-third party decision, every affiliate has the right to determine its own political policy.

Murray was accompanied to the platform by A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, who spoke briefly and subscribed fully to Murray's viewpoint.

The resolution, introduced after Murray's speech and adopted without discussion or a dissenting vote, pledged "loyal support in political and economic moves" by the CIO president, and urged him to continue his leadership to "greater victories against the dictatorial totalitarian government, abroad and their would-be imitators at home."

Behind the facade of speech-

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Civil Liberties attorney told a House Un-American subcommittee that outlawing the Communist Party or barring Communists from public office "would be to substitute totalitarian practices for Democratic principles."

Hays opposed the measure proposed by Karl E. Mundt (R-ND) which would require Communists to register as foreign agents as an unconstitutional attempt to usurp the authority of the judiciary. If Communists have been found to be unregistered foreign agents, he asked, "why haven't they been prosecuted in the courts under existing legislation?"

"This kind of legislation," said Hays, "seems to me to be wholly un-American."

RED-BAIT HAYS

Hays' testimony so incensed committee members that Rep. F. Edward Hebert (D-LA), referring to the lawyer's university degrees, asked: "did I hear R-E-D after your name?"

"I have been called a Red before," Hays retorted. "You men are doing what has been done in every Fascist country. First they stir up a red scare and then use it to repress all liberties. I am fighting that kind of thing. If that's being a Communist, then in that respect I'm a Communist."

The ACLU attorney hastened to add, however, that he really wasn't a Communist. He told the committee that he didn't like Communists and hated "totalitarianism."

Rep. Richard M. Nixon (R-Calif) slyly seized on the contradiction between Hays' opposition to anti-Communist laws and the well-known anti-Communist position of the ACLU. Referring to the Union's action in barring Communists from its board of directors in 1940, Nixon asked how the organizations reconciled that with their belief in freedom of expression.

Hays, stumped for a moment, replied that the board decided that Communists were not sincere in the civil rights fight. He lamely remarked that Communists believed in civil liberty as "a means to an end rather than an end in itself."

However, discussing the part played by Communists in the fight

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Mackay Couldn't Take It: When striking members of the CIO American Communications Association and the independent All America Cables Employees Association tried to send the Declaration of Independence, the U. S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Jack London's definition of a scab at the Mackay Radio office at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, the office refused to accept the wires. But the office was effectively tied up for three hours while the strikers tried.

Legislature Asks Truman OK Zion Arms

ALBANY, Feb. 10.—The Legislature took the rare action today of passing a resolution memorializing President Truman, the State Department and Congress to lift the embargo on shipment of arms to the Jews of Palestine.

The Senate vote was unanimous, without discussion. In the Assembly, two Republican arch-reactionaries — Christopher Lawrence of Westchester and Archibald Douglas of Manhattan—voted against it.

The resolution was introduced by the two Democratic leaders, Senator Elmer Quinn of Manhattan and Assemblyman Irwin Steingut of Brooklyn.

It carried implied criticism of the Administration by noting that "this nation, through its embargo on arms and munitions destined for shipment to the Middle East, has prevented the Jews of Palestine from obtaining the weapons of defense sorely needed by them to resist and defend themselves."

AVOIDS RESPONSIBILITY

Aside from this, both the resolution and those who spoke for it were careful to avoid reference to U. S. responsibility for the tragic plight of the Jews in Palestine, not to the fact that bi-partisan sabotage of the UN decision on Palestine was a result of oil imperialism.

An earlier resolution introduced by Sen. Kenneth Sherbell and Assemblyman Samuel Kaplan, Brooklyn Laborites, went a good deal further than the one passed today.

It asked not only that the embargo to the Jews be lifted, but that one be imposed on the Arabs who are violating the UN decision and a warning to the British to

UN to Study Zion Problem

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Feb. 10 (UP).—The United Nations Security Council agreed today to give urgent study to the problem of how to enforce the partition of Palestine. The only dissenter was the Arab state of Syria.

stop arming and assigning Arab aggression.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 (UP).—Thirty House Republicans today asked Secretary of State George C. Marshall to reply to four questions which they hope will clarify U. S. policy on Palestine.

The questions, submitted in a letter, were:

- Is it true that Great Britain is permitting arms to continue to be shipped to the Arab nations, and if so, does that interfere with carrying out of the United Nations decision on Palestine?

- Do the activities of the Arab nations with respect to support of the Arab Higher Committee for Palestine, and the Arab League, or otherwise in their announced violent resistance to the UN decision on Palestine, endanger the maintenance of international peace and security in the terms of the UN charter?

- What will be the instructions of the United States to its UN delegate on the questions referred by the UN Palestine Commission to the Security Council regarding the means for making effective the general Assembly's decision on Palestine?

- What is the United States prepared to do to help in the implementation of the UN decision on Palestine?

Among those signing the letter were: Reps. Robert J. Twyman, Ill.; William G. Stratton, Ill.; Christian A. Herter, Mass.; James C. Auchincloss, N. J.; Thor C. Tollefson, Wash.; Thurston Ballard Morton, Ky.; John C. Brophy, Wis.; George H. Bender, O.; and Jacob K. Javits, N. Y.

Rogge Opens Court Test of 'Loyalty' Edict

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—President Truman exceeded the powers vested in him by the Constitution with his executive order directing a loyalty purge of federal employees, it was charged today in the U. S. District Court here. The charge was made by O. John Rogge, former assistant to the U. S. Attorney General, in filing suit against Attorney General Clark and the President's loyalty commission on behalf of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

The committee, which was one of the 90 organizations recently listed as "subversive" by Clark, is seeking a court test of the executive order under which Clark acted when he compiled the list of "subversive" organizations and transmitted it to the loyalty commission. Federal employees identified with these organizations are subject to dismissal as "disloyal."

Rogge's brief contends that the anti-Fascist committee has suffered damages as a result of its designation as subversive by Clark.

If Rogge's suit is successful, the government would be compelled to rescind the list of "subversive" organizations. A by-product would be the junking of the entire loyalty order and the restoration of jobs to government employees discharged under it.

In his brief, Rogge attacked the constitutionality of section 9A of the Hatch Act as applied by Truman in his executive order.

Pending a court ruling, Rogge asked for a preliminary injunction to restrain Clark and the Loyalty Commission from continuing the name of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee on the list.

It was revealed here that a report prepared by an investigator for the House Appropriations Committee lists 108 employees of the State Department as undesirable. Most of them are classed as "Communist sympathizers." Several are classed as homosexuals.

Philly Transit Strike Voted

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.—More than 11,000 CIO transport workers were scheduled to strike at midnight tonight against the local transit monopoly. The workers are demanding a 40-cent an hour wage increase, paid holidays, and other benefits.

The walkout would tie up every streetcar, bus, elevated and subway train in the nation's third largest city.

Accompanied by shouts of "no contract—no work," the strike was unanimously voted at two overflow membership meetings of TWU Local 234, Monday night and Tuesday morning in Town Hall.

Newfoundland Fire Kills 34

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Feb. 10 (UP).—Thirty-four men and women aged 60 to 90 were killed today by a fire which destroyed the Hull nursing home.

Starting with the explosion of an oil cook stove in the kitchen, the fire was whipped by a 50-mile-an-hour wind.

Stoppage in Italy to Hit Arrest Of Lettists in Fascist-Inspired Riot

ROME, Feb. 10.—The General Italian Federation of Labor (CGIL) today ordered a 24-hour general strike in Puglia province as the death toll in yesterday's anti-leftist rioting there mounted to five.

The Interior Ministry announced earlier today that 24 had been jailed for taking part in the gun battle. Twelve of the prisoners were identified as Communists.

They were taken to Foggia, key city of the "boothel" province. One hundred Federal police equipped with several armored cars were sent to patrol San Ferdinando Di Puglia, the tiny farm town where three

Communists and a 12-year-old boy were shot down yesterday.

The gunmen, members of the fascist Common Man Party, opened fire on several hundred Communists and left-wing Socialists who had gathered to protest government refusal to allow them to hold an election meeting.

Leftwing organizations and newspapers loosed a vigorous propaganda blast against the Qualunquists today, declaring that recent U. S. marine reinforcements in the Mediterranean were indirectly to blame for the San Ferdinando incident.

The Communist Party denounced the government of Premier Alcide

De Gasperi for failing to protect the democratic rights of the people, and accused government police of "standing idly by" and allowing fascists in Puglia to keep their arms.

The Communist newspaper *Unita* reported that "indignation spread rapidly through all Puglia, where there was already popular agitation against the plan of provocation started by the government with the support of Truman's 'stop-gap Marines.'"

"The American fleet, in fact, continues its maneuvers in our ports. Two new U. S. destroyers, the Thomas and the Hanson arrived (yesterday) at Taranto"—a naval base in Puglia.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

PITY the big brains in Washington—trying at the same time to make rising prices drop and dropping prices rise.

Reaper Heiress Flings Dishes at Newsboy

CHICAGO, Feb. 10 (UP).—A police accident report said today that Mrs. Muriel McCormick Hubbard, granddaughter of reaper king Cyrus McCormick and oil magnate John D. Rockefeller, hurled a tray full of dishes at a 17-year-old newsboy in a restaurant early today.

The report, filed by Patrolman Tom Carey, said the youth, Silvio Garippo, was cut on the left hand by splinters from a glass that shattered when it struck the floor.

He was treated by Dr. A. M. Bennett at St. Luke's Hospital and released to his home.

Carey's report advised that a warrant should be issued against Mrs. Hubbard but Garippo made no complaint and none was issued.

The incident, according to Carey, occurred at 3:45 a.m. in the W. & R. Restaurant at Randolph and Clark Sts. in the loop.

Mrs. Dolores La Gungle, 41, waitress,

handed Mrs. Hubbard her check. Garippo, another customer, apparently thought the check was his.

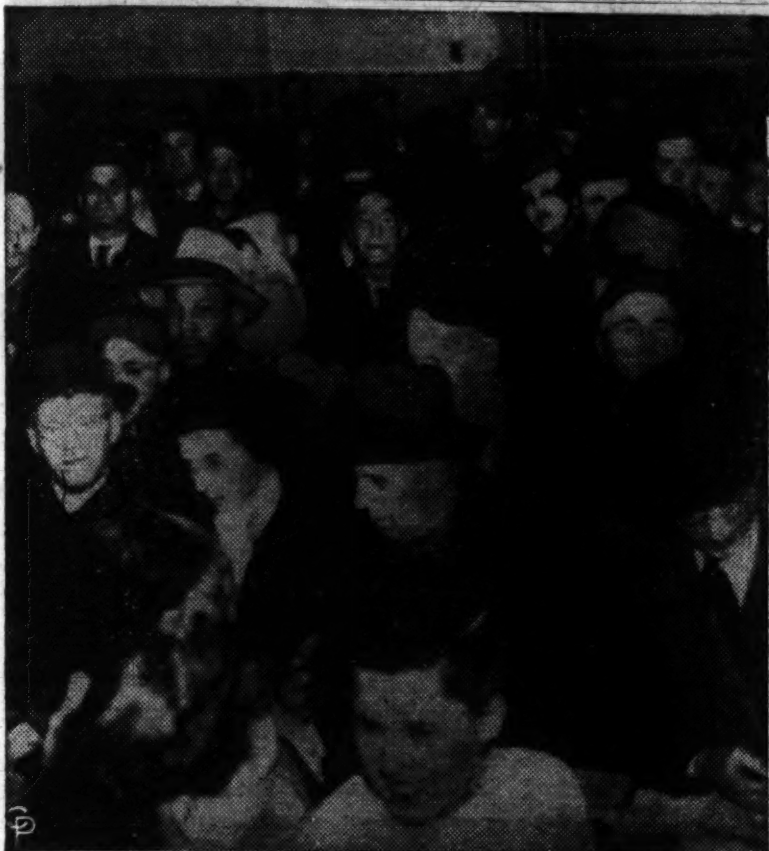
He reached for it and Mrs. Hubbard slapped his hand, according to Carey. The check fell to the floor.

"Pick it up," Carey quoted Mrs. Hubbard as saying.

"Pick it up yourself," Garippo replied. Mrs. Hubbard then picked up the dishes and tossed them over the head of Garippo, who is slightly shorter than she.

Garippo's mother, Mrs. Lizzie Garippo, came along just then. She took him to the hospital. Mrs. Garippo also works nights and meets her son in the restaurant every morning when he finishes selling papers.

Mrs. Hubbard has been involved recently in a law suit with her brother, Fowler McCormick, chairman of the board of International Harvester Corp. She sought to regain custody of her two adopted children, Edith, 14, and Elisha, 10.



Layoff Pay in Detroit: Auto workers crowd the Michigan Unemployment Compensation Commission officer in Detroit for jobless pay, as 200,000 were laid off when gas was shut off at auto plants by the utilities trust.

Grain, Cotton Skid Again; Stocks Dip

CHICAGO, Feb. 10 (UP).—Grain and cotton prices plunged the permissible limits and livestock prices slipped lower today. Almost all corn, wheat, oats and soybeans sold on the nation's grain exchanges nosedived in the fourth big grain price break within six days.

The New York Stock Market touched the lowest level since mid-June, 1947, on losses of one to around three points.

Cotton at New York dropped the permissible limit of 200 points—or \$10 a bale—for a day's trading. Light buying just before the close advanced cotton a few points above the extreme lows.

The stock market break wiped out more than a billion dollars in valuation of listed issues.

DROP THE LIMIT

On the Chicago Board of Trade, the world's largest grain mart, all grain futures dropped the limit except November soybeans, in which

there was no trade. At Kansas City all wheat futures dropped the full 10-cent per bushel limit, and all corn futures dropped the eight-cent limit. At Minneapolis, wheat, oats, and rye were down the limit.

May wheat, which hit an all-time peak of \$3.06½ cents on Jan. 16, dropped to \$2.47 a bushel in Chicago today—a drop of 59½ cents in three weeks. May corn, which sold at an all-time high of \$2.70½ a bushel Jan. 16, sank to \$2.13½ today—a drop of 57½ cents in three weeks.

Butter prices dropped ½ to two cents a pound on the New York wholesale market.

The daily price index of 30 basic commodities, compiled by Dun & Bradstreet, broke to a new 1948 low of 278.93. The index yesterday was 283.83. Today's index marked a drop of 29.89 from the 1948 high of 308.82 on Jan. 16.

LIVESTOCK DOWN

In general, livestock prices declined at most leading markets. Hog prices were steady to 50 cents per hundred pounds lower in active trading. At South St. Paul, Minn., and other markets, hogs sold as much as \$1 lower.

The cattle market was weak, with many animals remaining unsold. Prices ranged from steady to 50 cents lower.

7 Killed in Halifax Tenement Blaze

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 10 (UP).—Seven persons, including four children, were killed today when fire destroyed a three-story tenement building here today.

Firemen and police recovered six bodies from the ruins.

Council Ditches Oil Rollback for Vet Tenants

By Michael Singer

The City Council yesterday knifed the Keegan-Clemente resolution calling for rollback of kerosene fuel prices for veteran families in city-operated quonset projects to prices prevailing at the time of occupancy. The Council's sabotage was not unexpected. Last week the Daily Worker had exposed maneuvers by Mayor O'Dwyer and co-sponsor of the proposal, L. Gary Clemente, Queens Democrat to kill the measure.

Councilman Keegan, Bronx Democrat, who had insisted to this reporter that he would press for the rollback, sat quiet in his chair and made no protest when vice-chairman Joseph T. Sharkey, Brooklyn Democrat, moved to refer the proposal back to the City Affairs Committee.

Sharkey declared he had been meeting with City Housing Authority officials, and hoped for some solution to the crisis which has provoked rent strikes in the Bruckner and Castle Hills hut developments in the Bronx. The real reason for his recall of the resolution, however, is the demand by O'Dwyer that the Council kill the measure.

AMEND RENT LAW

The Council sent to the General Welfare Committee an amendment to the Sharkey Rent Law giving it the power to extend controls beyond Sept. 30. The amendment deletes the date and says the law shall "continue in effect until it has been determined by local law that the emergency no longer exists."

Prior to the Council meeting, the Civil Employees Committee laid over action on the Clemente Loyalty Oath Bills—a series of witch-hunt proposals to oust progressives and militant unionists from Civil Service under the guise of keeping Communists from municipal offices.

AFL Official Becomes Boss' Representative

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 10. — Thomas A. Lenehan, one time spokesman for the AFL unions for this city, today made the transition to a bosses' representative "without regrets."

Lenehan has announced that he will join a labor relations firm to represent employers in labor disputes.

For eight years Lenehan held the post of secretary of the Cleveland Federation of Labor. He was defeated for re-election last summer by a former friend and associate, William Finegan, in a contest completely devoid of principle.

Budget Hearing To Get Plea for State School Aid

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Feb. 10. — Tomorrow's public hearing on the State budget will climax a week of steady firing at the Dewey administration's most vulnerable spot—money for education.

Republican legislative leaders tried hard to make the hearing a small, cozy affair, but did not get very far. Special trains will be rolling in from New York with hundreds of embattled citizens, while regular trains from upstate communities will bring hundreds more.

Two of the groups that have announced special trains from their adherents are the Citizens Legislative Conference, which speaks for 65 organizations, and the United Parents Association.

Both groups, as well as scores of others, will center their attention on more education funds, specifically the Wheeler-Milmoie bill which would change the state aid formula for schools so as to provide \$90,000,000 more this year, and \$103,000,000 more after that.

The Citizens Conference announced also that its speakers would whack away at the need to revise upward the State's financial contribution to the localities, and at Dewey's income and corporate tax cuts.

They will also back the demand of the CIO United Public Workers for a \$600 increase for state employees, instead of the 15 percent top offered by Dewey.

BACK WHEELER-MILMOIE BILL

Pressure for the Wheeler-Milmoie bill is coming from rank-and-file Republican legislators, Democrats, Laborites and virtually every organization of teachers and parents in the state.

The Republican rank-and-filers have been circulating a round-robin petition demanding a conference on the education issue. Some 56 of the

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Price Cuts Sliced Thin as Baloney

By Louise Mitchell

Like a million housewives yesterday, I dashed over to the corner chain store to get an eyeful of those much-touted "great bargains" in food prices. I shoulda stood in the

pantry. If I could spend 81 cents a pound on meat, I could have gotten a juicy porterhouse. Sure, it was reduced, all of four cents since last week. And the sirloin was only 79 after a drop from 85.

But the ground meat (half fat) which I often buy at 49 cents a pound was STILL 49 cents. Veal and lamb prices were unchanged.

There's been much talk about the cut in butter prices from 97 to 94, but when you buy it in sections you hardly note the difference in price.

ONLY SLIGHT CUTS

Many grocers had signs in their windows announcing cuts in flour, lard and bacon prices. The reduc-

tion were slight, take it from me.

In fact, the price cuts should have been passed on to the consumers before this week because of drops in wholesale prices, but it took the grain market slump and general economic jitters to give the consumer a break of a few pennies.

The WALL STREET JOURNAL reported yesterday that "retail price paring doesn't reflect the slump in the wholesale meat prices—and in the cost of meat-on-the-hoof."

In some stores, said the Wall Street organ prices are down five to

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City Council Expected to Act Monday on Seating of Gerson

The City Council is expected to act Monday on the seating of Simon W. Gerson, Communist designee to succeed the late Peter V. Cacchione of Brooklyn. Walter R. Hart, chairman of the Rules Committee, which has been stalling for months on this issue, in a reply to a question by Manhattan Communist Benjamin J. Davis, said the Committee will make its decision Monday at 10:30 a.m.

The usual Council meeting date has been changed from Tuesday to Monday, and the Committee's decision will undoubtedly be voted on by the entire Council the same day. The Council will vote on Resolution 583, introduced by Davis, which calls for seating Gerson.

Both Mayor O'Dwyer and Coun-

cilman Joseph Sharkey received wires from the Citizens Committee to defend Representative Government requesting that they meet with a delegation by ALP State Senator Kenneth Sherbell, on the Gerson issue next Monday. Sharkey's office admitted it had received the wire but said there was no appointment scheduled. There was no comment from O'Dwyer's aides.

Support of the fight to seat Gerson has become one of the broadest democratic movements in New York, it was asserted yesterday by Robert Thompson, State chairman of the Communist Party.

Referring to editorials in the New York Post, PM and the New York Times urging that Gerson get the Council seat, Thompson said:

"This points up the fact that the

fight to fill the Cacchione seat with a Communist has become an issue that all supporters of democracy will place as a test before the O'Dwyer Administration.

Even circles where there has been strong anti-Communist, Social-Democratic influences cannot stomach the position of the Democratic-Liberal Party cabal.

"But in order to win, it is necessary to increase the activity on an assembly district and borough level throughout the city, by the collection of thousands of signatures on the petition of the Citizens Committee to Defend Representative Government, to send more thousands of telegrams to Mayor O'Dwyer and Majority Leader Sharkey, and to send a whole stream of delegations to these two city officials and all city councilmen.

REG'LAR FELLERS—Anti-inflationist

By GENE BYRNES



Wallace Urges People Of Bronx to Vote for Isacson

Henry A. Wallace last night told the people of the Bronx that they were lucky to have a chance to vote for an honestly progressive candidate, Leo Isacson, running on the ALP ticket in the special congressional election in the 24th district. In a joint broadcast with Isacson over station WMCA, Wallace pointed out that the election of Isacson would help in the fight for a people's foreign policy for peace, especially to guarantee the carrying out of the UN decision on the partition of Palestine.

The text of the joint broadcast follows:

ISACSON

This is a year of decisions for all of us. It is an election year, and contests for office are taking place whose outcome will decide how we are to live our lives in the next few years to come—and perhaps longer.

The outcome will decide whether we are to live in peace—or in the shadow of another war. It will decide whether we shall live in reasonable plenty and decent security—or in fear of want and actual privation. These are the decisions that will be made in the political contests of 1948.

One such contest is very close at hand: the election of a United States Representative in the 24th Congressional District in the Bronx. It takes place one week from today—next Tuesday, Feb. 17. My home is in the Bronx, and I am a candidate for the office of Congressman. A candidate is obliged to explain himself to his neighbors when he asks them for their vote. He is obliged to tell them who he is—what he stands for—who his FRIENDS are, in a political sense, since a man is known by the company he keeps.

I am very proud of the company I am keeping at this very moment. Mr. Henry Wallace—a candidate for President of the United States and the leader of the great

movement for a new progressive party in this country—is here beside me. He has done me the high honor to endorse my candidacy for Congress. It is my very great privilege to introduce Mr. Henry Wallace.

WALLACE

Thank you, Leo Isacson. I have a deep interest in your campaign and in the election next week in the 24th Congressional district. Your district appears as a kind of miniature of all America at this moment in our national life, and I am delighted that the voters in the Bronx will have the chance to vote for an honestly progressive candidate.

They need not throw away their votes on the hand-picked candidates of the Democratic or Republican machines. They can go to the polls with the knowledge that their votes have real meaning. I hope and believe that they will endorse you and the progressive program you advocate with all the warmth that I feel for you.

I have checked the record of Leo Isacson with care. It is a progressive record. I was particularly pleased with the splendid speech Mr. Isacson made on the floor of the State Assembly in Albany, when he answered a defender of fascism—a defender of General Franco.

It was more than a little distressing to find that there was only one voice raised in the entire legislature against this apologist for Franco, but that one voice has the power of honesty and it rings clear in troubled times. We can use a voice like that of Leo Isacson's in the Congress of the United States, because apologies for fascism are being made in higher bodies than State Assemblies.

We need many more voices raised against the apologists for fascism, both in Congress and in the Administration, and I am hopeful that the votes in the 24th District will send Leo Isacson to Congress for the express purpose of standing strong against a foreign policy which supports kings, reactionaries, and fascists all around the world.

That foreign policy is reflecting itself in our domestic life. It is breeding new fears. It is sap-



WALLACE



ISACSON

Speak for peace

To Speak Again On Sunday

Wallace will speak for Isacson again this Sunday at an afternoon rally at Hunts Point Palace, 163 St. and Southern Boulevard. Other speakers will include Rep. Vito Marcantonio and Paul Robeson. The meeting will start at 1:30 p.m.

ping our national resources as we pour 80 cents out of every tax dollar into supporting a movement towards war. We are paying for that bi-partisan policy at the grocery store, yes, and in the mental health of our entire country. We can't preserve democracy in an atmosphere of fear. When we add a voice like that of Leo Isacson's to the small band of

genuine progressives in the halls of Congress, we shall be making a step towards peace.

The true nature of our foreign policy—a policy of supporting Greek reactionaries, an undemocratic Turkish regime, the dictatorship of Chiang Kai-shek, is becoming ever more clear to the American people. The most recent evidence of the hypocrisy of men who talk about democracy and fight it at every turn is to be seen in the Palestine crisis.

Today the strength of our great country is to all intents and purposes supporting the policy of Ernest Bevin and that section of the British government which seeks to support the feudal lords of the Arab world as they try to suppress Jew and Arab alike.

I know that Leo Isacson is in (Continued on Page 7)

Protest Ford Layoff of 35,000 Workers

DETROIT, Feb. 10. — Anger and protests are spreading through the Ford plants here as the company announced that layoffs for model changeover will begin Friday.

The company did not estimate the extent of the layoffs, but members of UAW Ford Local 600, estimate that at least half of the 65,000 employees at the River Rouge plant will be laid off. About 7,000 are scheduled for layoff Friday.

A leaflet for one protest meeting Saturday called by a committee of

Henry Ford Jr. Arrives in England

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Feb. 10 (UP).—Henry Ford and his wife arrived here today aboard the Queen Mary. Other passengers included Merle Oberon, who is on her way to St. Moritz for a vacation.

the Motor Building at River Rouge said that "for some the layoff will last until June."

The leaflet was headed "35,000 Ford Workers to Be Laid Off."

Those who addressed the protest meeting at Local 600 headquarters included James Wishart, former UAW research director; Percy Llewellyn, former president and regional director of the union, and Paul Botain, of the motor building.

"Militant union people have always taken the position that it is not necessary to lay workers off during model changes," declared the call to the workers signed by a 40-man Motor Building Committee. "Progressive industrial engineers support this position. Changes can be made gradually without causing so much suffering. During the war there were all kind of changes without layoffs."

"Ford II was going to show us some new 'teamwork' and 'human engineering.' Where is it? He goes sailing on a trip to Europe. . . . We can't place any confidence in the 'captains of industry' Workers must show their power or go hungry."

The appeal adds: "In order to have real political power, start a Wallace for President Committee in the Motor Building. Elect delegates to the Third Party convention in Lansing next month."

Delaware Bridge Collapses; 3 Die

REHOBOTH BEACH, Del., Feb. 10 (UP).—The south end of the Charles Cullen suspension bridge between Bethany and Rehoboth Beaches collapsed today. Three persons were killed and six others were reported missing.

The foundations and cement blocks supporting the span were torn loose by ice jams

Local 65 to Vote On Strike at Retail Chains

With hundreds of pickets poised to speed by plane and train to 50 large cities, 15,000 members of the CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Workers Union Local 65 expected to act tonight and tomorrow night on

proposed strikes by the New York warehouse and office employees of three national retail chains—the Lerner Shops, the Miles Shoe Co., and the A. S. Beck Shoe Co.

Meeting at the St. Nicholas Arena, the full membership of Local 65 will vote by secret ballot.

The union charges that a conspiracy among New York department stores and retail chains has

virtually destroyed hopes for a settlement. While the strikes will affect a total of 1,250 employees of the three chains, the strike will be conducted by the union's full membership.

BREAKDOWN IN TALKS

Employees of the three firms have already voted to strike. The managements have refused to offer any improvement over their original wage offers (ranging from 10 percent at Lerner to \$4-\$5 at Miles) and have insisted the union accept before any other issues, including provisions on union security, are discussed.

Nicholas Carnes, president, and William Michelson, executive secretary, of the CIO Department Store Joint Board, charged the Retail Labor Standards Association caused the expulsion of the Frederick Loeser management, after the Brooklyn store had signed an agreement with Local 1250 on union security.

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Grain Drop Won't 'Curb' Brokers' Appetite

By George Marion

Gentlemen, be at ease. The drop in the price of wheat and corn on the Chicago grain market will not take one bite of bread out of the mouths of the members of the New York Curb Exchange. They number 499—members with mouths, I mean.

Not to bite the hand that fed me (I freeloaded lunch in the Curb Exchange Restaurant) I hasten to say that there is no other connection between the Midwest commodity markets and the Curb Exchange. But I didn't know that until I personally visited the Curb at 86 Trinity Place.

Unless logic disconcerts you, we might as well start this at the beginning. The editors thought it would be a good idea for me to go see how the break in grain and meat prices was affecting the brokers here. I didn't think much of the idea but we compromised: I went.

New York, I quickly discovered, has many markets, including a Sugar and Coffee Exchange, a Cocoa Exchange and a Cotton Exchange, but the big trading the world has been watching these past few days centers on Chicago. So I elected to visit the Curb Exchange, which is not a commodity market but a sales mechanism for stocks and bonds. It is a sort of Junior High School from which securities graduate, when their corporations grow up, to the New York Stock Exchange.

BOILING WITH BOREDOM

The trading floor of the Curb Exchange—with scenery as dramatic as any the wild Chicago grain pit can boast—was boiling with boredom when I got there. NYCE president, Francis Adams Truslow—cousin of historian James Truslow Adams—explained that "volume of trading" has been low for about a year, due to innumerable "uncertainties" affecting the market. But for a first visit, the show was satisfying. He's the synopsis:

The Curb Exchange is so-called because it evolved from a market that actually operated in the street and was one of the sure-fire absolutely-must-see tourist attractions of the early 1900's.

Early pictures show the determined traders operating furiously in the midst of a blinding snowstorm.

The curb has outgrown its gutter days: the 14-story modern building provides a high-vaulted, pillarless room, a cross between a cathedral and an armory, with 20,000 square feet of trading-floor alone. The institution is primarily a highly-developed communications system permitting buyers or sellers from coast-to-coast to trade securities almost as if they were face to face. A network of telephones, ticker tapes and six miles of pneumatic tubes within the building, permit rapid trading.

Edward C. Werle, reelected chairman of the board of governors of the Curb Monday (he ran on an unopposed slate like those elections that get such a bad press when they take place in Russia) told me just how the operation goes.

Running the length of the room at the sides, are tiered "pews" occupied by telephone clerks, many wearing headsets. A clerk receives orders from his brokerage house to buy 100 shares of Kaiser-Frazer stock at 11½ dollars per share.

He yells at his broker on the floor (only Curb members may operate on the floor) and if unable to get his attention, has the broker's number flashed on a large annunciator board at the end of the room.

The clerk conveys his message by hand signals and the broker proceeds to one of the 27 octagonal desks or "trading posts," topped by octagonal "lanterns" (the lanterns light up when the quotation-room calls for the latest figures on a given stock). Kaiser-Frazer stock is handled at only one of these posts. Pigeon holes beneath it contain order slips from customers anywhere, most



Where the Curb Exchangers operate.



JUST A LOT OF NUMBERS on a board in the quotation room, but each change means profit to the gamblers on the Curb Exchange.

of which authorize purchase of the stock when or if it falls to \$11 a share, or sell when or if it rises to \$12. But the broker finds a seller at his price of 11½ and hand-signals his clerk that the deal is made.

A slip is made out at the trading post and put into a pneumatic tube where it goes to the Ticker Transmission Station in the center of the room. There the slip rides a conveyor past a Western Union ticker-tape operator who punches out the message: KFL 11½.

This code record of the transaction (100 shares Kaiser-Frazer listed stock sold at 11½) is flashed, by projectors hidden in the end walls, on magnified and illuminated ticker boards above the trading floor. The same message appears almost simultaneously on hundreds of tickers (766 on May 1, 1947 in some 360 cities and 46 states).

DENIES GAMBLING

This adds up to an up-to-date communications system and nationwide form sheet for securities speculators. It's enough to make a pony player's mouth water. For it's not only superior to the system tying up the various pool halls and barber shops where the \$2 bettor loses on slow nags, but it's also legal.

Not that speculating is gambling. Mr. Truslow was very firm about

(Continued on page 7)

Irate Magistrate Fines Chiseling Landlords

By John Hudson Jones

Chiseling landlords with fancy alibis disgusted Magistrate Morris Plaskowe yesterday in Municipal Term Court and he fined them right and left for providing no heat. The courtroom was crowded at 10 a. m.

With more than 200 irate tenants who testified to temperatures in their apartments ranging from 20 to 58 degrees. The law requires a temperature of 65 degrees be maintained from 6 a. m. to 10 p. m.

Magistrate Plaskowe tried 170 cases up to 1 p. m. He was lenient with a few landlords who had documents to show they were unable to get oil. Those who burned coal, of which there is no shortage received fines ranging from \$100 to \$250.

HELD FOR TRIAL

Some like Sidney Rodwin, landlord at 336 Fort Washington Ave., were held for trial in Special Sessions Court.

"Meanwhile," Magistrate Plaskowe barked at Rodwin, "get the lead out of your pants and give your tenants some heat, or you'll be sorry."

In another case 19 tenants from 550 W. 150 St. haled in landlord

Joseph J. Keenan. He had a list of "satisfied" tenants. But it developed he runs a double dwelling with one boiler. One house gets heat but the other doesn't.

"There is no way you can duck your responsibility as a landlord," Magistrate Plaskowe told him.

"Give them heat if you have to buy a boiler five times the size of the one you have."

FINED \$250

Keenan was fined \$250 and warned of a jail sentence if he comes in again.

When Sidney Altman, landlord of 445 Lenox Ave. didn't show up Magistrate Plaskowe told Assistant District Attorney Bernice Rogers, "Get them in here or I'll issue warrants for all of them."

Altman is a Harlem landlord whose chiseling at 24 W. 134 St. the Daily Worker has reported previously.

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By LEN KLEIS



Employment Slump in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—This city is showing a slump in employment with the possibility that the downward trend will continue. New registrations for unemployment compensation rose 48 percent from the end of December to the end of January. The total decline in jobs available for the months of December and January, is approximately 6,000. A number of Cleveland industries are reporting they are catching up with orders on hand. Layoffs are expected.

UE RENEGADE SHOWS HOW TO MAKE THE FRONT PAGE

By Bernard Burton

The Association of Catholic Trade Unionists claims it is against "secessions" or "splits" from unions—but there is at least one prominent ACUT'er who doesn't believe it. That's James Conroy who made front-page headlines yesterday with an announcement that he was splitting the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers—by trying to pull out one-twentieth of one percent of the union's membership.

Even the Daily Mirror buried the latest splotchy crime and gory murder to put Conroy on Page 1. Conroy was reported to have led 300-odd members of UE Local 1237 out of the 600,000-strong union.

This is not the first time Conroy made headlines. Several months ago he was patted on the back by the same papers for testifying against his own union before the House Un-American Committee.

The papers yesterday reported that Conroy was going to set up an independent "union" of the type-writer and adding machine repairmen. Members of his own local have a different word for the type of organization he wants to set up.

FAILED TO APPEAR

His announcement followed failure to appear before the UE District Council, a delegated body of all locals in this area to answer charges of disruption and undercutting union standards. Last year, for example, while the UE was leading the nation in winning wage raises, Conroy was negotiating "settlements" which brought no raises, and often resulted in worsened conditions.

His pet formula for negotiations was to tie in increased production. Of course, the National Association of Manufacturers worked out the formula long before Conroy, and it had the effect desired by the NAM. Speed-up, Stretch-out and no wage raises.

Conroy's opposition to the UE's

militant leadership was camouflaged with a heavy coat of red-baiting. The last UE convention overwhelmingly repudiated CIO Secretary James Carey's red-baiting bloc, to which Conroy belonged.

Even prior to the convention Conroy was being given the heave-ho by the rank and file. For a time he acted as business agent of Local 419 in Westchester County. But the time was short and he was yanked out of office by vote of the membership.

From business agent he stepped into a job as personnel manager of Decca records. That shop, however, was organized by UE Local 430 which told the employer that they would have no dealings with Conroy. The job lasted a few days and the next thing anybody knew Conroy was running his own store in the Bronx.

Things were quiet for a while until it was announced that this "unionist" had reappeared on the scene as a business agent for Local 1237 — which made two business agents for a small local which ordinarily might not even have one full-time official.

Conroy's chief contribution in that job was to instruct his members to cross the picket lines of Remington-Rand workers last summer. The strike was being conducted jointly by the International Association of Machinists and the UE.

At the UE's convention in Boston last September, Conroy was accused to his face of conspiring with FBI agents against union leaders and of seeking "to wreck and destroy this union." One delegate charged that "he (Conroy) appeared before the FBI and he rehearsed what he was to testify before the Un-American Committee."

The delegate who made the charges was Conroy's brother-in-law, Frank Burns, delegate from Local 430.

Seek to Give Detroit Car Lines to Bankers

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Feb. 10.—This city's municipally-owned street railways are being systematically undermined by bankers and their daily newspapers who want to see them returned to private ownership. A long range program of disruption and institution of

Slain by Bandit



MARJORIE WINN, 17, high school student of Redlands, Cal., was shot to death by a roadside bandit when a car she was riding in was stopped by a man who opened the door and demanded money. When driver James Sloan, 21, tried to drive off, the man shot Miss Winn in the chest.

chaotic "improvements" has done much to create doubts in the minds of the average rider as to whether municipal ownership is "business-like" enough and competent enough to handle transportation.

The bankers of Griswold Street who own the bonds of the Detroit Street Railway, have begun through their controlled press a campaign to have the transit system declare itself bankrupt.

SEEK RECEIVER

Then the banker bondholders could have a friendly receiver appointed with power to fix fares AND WAGES.

Right now the bankers are promoting through the press a fare boost from 10 cents (the present fare) to 13 cents or two rides for a quarter. This would make Detroit fares the highest in the nation.

The Street Car and Bus Drivers Union, AFL, will seek a 25-cent wage increase this month and so the bankers are indeed in a hurry to declare the DSR bankrupt.

To sell to Detroiters the idea that private ownership is better than public ownership one has to follow the conspiracy of the bankers back to the summer of 1947.

Several hundred street cars were overnight taken off the road, put

away to rust in car barns and replaced with buses at a cost of several million dollars.

Along with this went the ripping up of hundreds of miles of tracks, a financial outlay which cut deeply into the DSR surplus. A murderous system of speedup was introduced with "express" services requiring drivers to go 45 miles an hour in 25-mile zones, or face discipline before a trial board for not making schedules.

With the coming of winter and its series of snowstorms the crisis and chaos the bankers had been preparing for also arrived. Because of a penny-pinching maintenance policy, buses began breaking down by the hundreds.

Organized labor and citizens groups are preparing to demand from Mayor Van Antwerp a investigation by a committee of street car and bus riders.

Cleveland Weighs City FEPC Bill

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—The Community Relations Board of the City Administration has proposed that City Council adopt a fair employment practices ordinance.

'Chicago Sun' Sets in 'Times' Merger

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Feb. 10. — The oft-predicted setting of the Marshall Field-owned Chicago Sun became an actuality here last week. An unrecognizable skeleton of its old self, the one-time pioneering champion of progressivism was merged with the afternoon Chicago Times, and for all practical purposes was buried without even benefit of a formal funeral.

The Sun's consignment to oblivion was foreshadowed as far back as the summer of 1947, when Marshall Field had negotiated the purchase of the Times to bail out the already badly-ailing Sun.

From then on it was only a question of time until it was absorbed entirely by the financially-secure and well-established Times, now owned by Field but directed with an iron hand by its former publisher, Richard J. Finnegan.

MELTING CIRCULATION That the merger came as quickly as it did, despite editorial assurances by Field that the two papers would continue independently with separate staffs (except on Sundays), is undoubtedly due to the Sun's rapidly melting circulation as a result of the typographical strike and possible calculations by Field and Finnegan that it would induce fear and panic among the strikers pacing before the Sun-Times building.

Although trumpeted as an innovation in journalism with round-the-clock news provided in morning and afternoon editions, the merger most clearly revealed the death of the Sun in the makeup of the editorial staff of the combined Sun and Times.

To most Sun editorial staff workers, including some who had been with the Sun since its birth in 1941 after voluntarily leaving other jobs to assist in the production of what they viewed as a fighting progressive newspaper, the merger spelled the end of their jobs.

The Iron Ball-newspaper lingo for mass firings—descended on an estimated 85 Sun editorial staff workers, from the managing editor on down. Only a handful remained as carry-overs to the alleged combined staff, now drawn largely from the Times.

Ironically, a large proportion of the Sun people fired shed few tears, while some are even happy over parting company with Field.

From the inside, over the last few years, they had seen the steady deterioration of the Sun from a fighting progressive paper to one vying in many instances with the Chicago Tribune in its anti-red hysteria and forfeiting the independent stand expected of it by progressives to become a tail to the Democratic Party and the Truman Administration.

The most nauseating spectacle



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of all in the view of many of them, was Field's low in making common cause with the Tribune-dominated Chicago Newspaper Publishers Association in its effort to destroy the now-striking International Typographical Union.

For all practical purposes, the merger appears to confirm all the dire predictions heard incessantly in labor and progressive circles here of the eventual elimination of the Sun from the morning field, an uncoincidental aim of the Tribune, if Field persisted in his anti-labor stand.

Although the combined paper will publish morning editions, in apparent competition with the Tribune, it will have to depend mainly on what was formerly the stable circulation of the afternoon Times, it may be only a matter of time before Field gracefully withdraws to the afternoon field and abandons completely the fight against the Tribune.



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the forefront of the fight for a principled American policy. I know that he detests the moral degradation of a policy which proclaims neutrality to help feudalism and at the same time circumvents the United Nations for unilateral action in other sections of the Mediterranean area, such as Greece and Turkey. I know that Leo Isacson isn't fooled by words—that he recognizes that the mass murder in the Middle East today is no less outrageous than the gas chambers at Dachau and Buchenwald.

I have checked Leo Isacson's stand on the vital domestic issues of the moment. I know that he stands strong against the Taft-Hartley anti-labor law and seeks a return to the principles of the National Labor Relations Act. I know that he is committed by the whole nature of his being, as well as by words, to oppose compulsory military training.

About 10 days ago in Columbus, Ohio I pledged that I would not accept the support of any individual or group which would limit the democratic action of any other individual or group, nor the support of any individual or group which would restrict the civil liberties of any other person for reasons of race, color or creed, nor the support of any individual or group advocating the violent overthrow of the government of the United States. I might have added—and I add now—that I shall not support any candidate who will not accept that pledge.

I am delighted that Leo Isacson agrees with me in disavowing the support of those who support actions which curb democratic trade union activities or those who accept the support of white supremacists or rationalize that we cannot have full civil liberties for one or another reason. I am happy, Leo, to lend my voice to your campaign. I hope that we shall see a magnificent demonstration of the peace sentiments of the people at the polls a week from today.

ISACSON

My warmest thanks, Mr. Wallace, for your appearance here tonight. I look forward to your visit to the Bronx this coming Sunday. I would like to invite our radio audience to hear you Sunday afternoon at the Hunts Point Palace, the time is 1:30 p.m.

May I add that no voice in all the land has spoken more clearly than yours against the Truman-Vandenberg bi-partisan war policy, and the ruinous domestic policies that go with it. We in the Bronx are already in the fight to change those policies.

We have in fact been in the

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fight for a long time. It is on the basis of my share in that fight—both as a State Assemblyman and simply as citizen—that I feel that I can honestly ask my neighbors in the 24th C.D. to vote for me for Congress. When I spoke out in Albany against apologies for fascism, I spoke with their voices—those of the citizens of my district—not alone with my own voice. Anyone who represents—or seeks to represent—the people of this district must speak with their voice.

We are truly an American community in this district—proud of our diversity of national origin and culture and creed. And we are heartily sick of the outworn and corrupt kind of politics which seeks to keep us divided.

We are sick of the Flynn machine—and its patronage-as-usual—bargaining - for-jobs-as-usual—deals - with - the-Republicans-as-usual - everything-as-usual that perpetuates political bossism—and prevents decent people from having a voice in the conduct of their own affairs. We are sick of Democrats who agree with the Republicans about everything—except who shall have the jobs and ride the gravy train.

We are sick of fair-weather liberals—even when they spell the word with a capital L—who front for reactionary policies—and save the machines the trouble of trotting out a few emergency, election-time liberals of their own. We are sick of all this—and we have reason to be.

The questions Mr. Wallace discussed are urgent ones with us in the 24th C.D. The repression that goes with a war policy hits us hard. And reports on civil liberties are poor substitutes for the government protection of civil liberties—which the times now demand.

In our district, we are typical Americans. We are Negroes—who have only just begun to fight for equality in employment and education. We are Puerto Ricans—lied about in the papers—discriminated against in the use of public services. We are Jews—proud of the fight for a Jewish state being made by our brothers in Palestine—hopeful that the guarantees made by United Nations will be kept—shocked by the barbarism of the British policy of inciting the Arabs against the Zionists—equally shocked by the hypocrisy of the American State Department in failing to act against that policy.

That is who we are in the 24th C.D., and we do not see the answers to our problems coming

from the candidate of the Democratic or Republican machines—or the candidate of an Ersatz Liberalism. We cannot see these candidates solving the problems which their own parties created.

The bi-partisan inflation cuts our incomes and undermines our living standard with each new price rise. The prices rise and rise. And the politicians of both old parties who scrapped price control talk and talk. Landlord and real estate pressures on what is left of rent control mount every day. And the Flynn machine offers a landlord's lawyer as its candidate for Congress.

Our veterans—and thousands of others who need homes—are still waiting for low-cost houses. The Democratic and Republican leadership, meanwhile, offer us nothing but low-cost promises.

The leadership of both old parties make still another assault on our living standards by supporting Mayor O'Dwyer's outrageous demand for an increased subway fare.

The members of our labor unions—who must bear the brunt of all these assaults—are coolly asked to support the candidates of the same parties which passed the Taft-Hartley Law—a vicious law which virtually repeals the Wagner Act.

I said at the beginning of this conversation that a candidate is obliged to tell who he is—and what he stands for. Mr. Wallace was kind enough to do part of that for us—and I do not ask for a better character witness.

But I think it is part of a candidate's good faith to tell his reasons for running for office—and let the voters decide on his qualifications.

My main reason is that I would like to carry on in Congress the fight that we started—you and I—in the State Assembly—the fight that I was privileged to lead to victory in the passage of the State Anti-Discrimination Law.

I would like to fight as a Congressman for the same things I fight for now, for a price roll-back and real rent-control—which I fight for now as a consumer's and tenants' lawyer, for a lifting of the embargo of arms to the Haganah, which I fight for now as an active Zionist in my own community—against conscription and for a foreign policy based on a strong United Nations—which I fight for now as an American who believes with Henry Wallace, that the good sense of America can keep us at peace and show us the way to abundance for all.

Strike in British Curb Exchange Shipyard

By Betty Wallace

Wireless to the Daily Worker

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Seven thousand ship repair workers have gone on strike against the ending of bonus payments scheduled by employers for March 31. More are expected to follow.

The action started after 1,500 workers engaged in refitting the Cunard White Star liner Britannic in the Liverpool docks voted to walk off at a lunch hour meeting.

Leo McGree, district president of the union, told the meeting that negotiations with Mersey Co., the employers, was deadlocked. McGree declared the decision to end the bonus payments was a direct result of the Marshall Plan and the American desire to foist on England ships in such disrepair they are useless to the United States.

Similar meetings were held on other ships, including the Empress of Canada and Orbita.

In Medical Plan

More than 1,300 employees of the Board of Higher Education, together with about an equal number of dependents, have enrolled for complete medical and hospital care

through the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York and the Blue Cross Hospital Plan, Albert Fleydell, HHP general manager, announced.

Doom 6 Japanese

YOKOHAMA, Feb. 10 (UP).—Six Japanese war criminals were sentenced to hang for illegally executing six U. S. naval airmen who crash landed their plane on the coast of Indo-China in April, 1946.

Ask Presidential Aspirants' Stand

Seven Presidential aspirants were asked yesterday to state their position on 10 questions of importance for white collar workers in the United States. Questions covered wage increases, Taft-Hartley Law, price and rent control, civil liberties and foreign policy.

The questionnaire was sent out by the CIO Office and Professional Workers to President Truman, Henry A. Wallace, Governor Thomas E. Dewey, Harold E. Stassen, Senator Robert A. Taft and Governor Earl Warren. All were invited to appear at the union's seventh convention or to write their views so that they might be considered by white collar workers.

Bars Typo Suit Intervention

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—Federal District Judge Luther M. Swygert today denied the motions of three newspaper publishers' associations and a Chicago AFL Printers' local union to intervene in the government's suit for an injunction against the International Typographical Union.

Swygert turned down four of eight requests for intervention and said he would rule shortly on the bids of four big labor groups to participate actively in the proceedings.

He left the door open, however, for inactive participation by the American Newspaper Publisher Association, the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association, the Inland Daily Press Association and ITU Local No. 16 of Chicago, whose members are on strike against eight Chicago area daily newspapers. Swygert said they could apply to enter the case as "friends of the court." This would allow the groups to file briefs, but counsel could not call witnesses.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

The Peculiar Agreement Between U. S. and Iran

IT'S QUITE an adventure to try to get a copy of the American-Iranian agreement, which allows for 18 American commissioned officers, and eight non-commissioned officers in Teheran under the command of Maj. Gen. Robert W. Grow. That mission, you will recall, was one of the reasons for the Soviet protest to Iran last week.

And, as I pointed out yesterday, the State Department was so nervous about a possible upheaval among the Iranian people over the broad powers of the American mission that it jumped in to deny the Soviet charges, although the protest was directed to Teheran, and not to Washington.



At the State Department, they are very reluctant to give you a copy, which isn't strange. And the only other place you might find one is at the legal department of the United Nations, where treaties between member-states are supposed to be filed. the Charter.

Dr. Saba, who's in charge at Lake Success, was very apologetic, but he just couldn't allow newspapermen to be filing in and out of his office. He was very sorry, even embarrassed, he said.

BUT IT SO happens that a N.Y. Herald-Tribune correspondent got wind of this agreement when it was filed with the UN in mid-December. This was rather belated, in view of the fact that it was signed in Teheran by Iranian Minister of War Mahmoud Djam and U.S. Ambassador George V. Allen on Oct. 6, 1947. And after the Herald-Tribune published a fragment of it on Dec. 23, 1947, other Lake Success correspondents became curious.

So did I. And here's what I find:

Article 12 of the agreement provides that "the chief of the Mission, and other members so directed by him, are authorized to visit and inspect any part of the Iranian military establishment, and [Iranian] officers in authority shall facilitate such inspections and make available plans, records, reports and correspondence as required."

That's a pretty sweeping privilege, isn't it, for one supposedly independent nation to make available to the officers of another nation?

ARTICLE 9 says that "members of the Mission will assume neither command nor staff responsibility in the Iranian Army" BUT, they "may, however, make such official inspections and investigations" as the Chief of the Mission thinks necessary, if he gets permission of the Iranian war minister.

Article 12 also says that "members of the Mission will not concern themselves with secret matters except when it is essential to their duties"—and then also, they have to ask the minister of war.

But the Iranian minister of war is the one who signed the agreement in the first place. It's hard to see how he will restrict Maj. Gen. Grow in any way, assuming that after "visiting and inspecting any part of the Iranian military establishment" and looking at "plans, records, reports and correspondence," the U.S. officers will not have everything they want to know.

In fact, Article 12 continues with a curious passage that "each member of the Mission has the obligation not to divulge in any way to any foreign government or any person whatsoever any secret or confidential matter of which he may have become cognizant as a member of the Mission"—which virtually assumes that whatever secrets there are, will be available to the U.S. Mission.

THERE ARE other interesting clauses. For example, the U.S. officers are free from any Iranian taxes, a privilege usually accorded only to the royal family in Iran. And there's a peculiar "Jim-crow" clause in article 10 which says that "each member of the mission shall serve . . . with the rank he holds in the U.S. Army, but shall have precedence over all Iranian officers of the same rank."

I leave it to you to judge whether a mission with such powers does, or does not, mean practically taking over Iran.

I leave it to you also, to judge what our public would think if the Soviet Union arranged a mission with analogous powers say—in Mexico.

And I urge you to remember one little thing: that the Iranian case is still on the agenda of the United Nations. Former Secretary James F. Byrnes got it there in the spring of 1946. Secretary Marshall seems to be in no hurry to take it off.

THE WORLD AT ITS WORST

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By CLUYAS WILLIAMS

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Letters from Readers

Doesn't Like B'klyn Eagle

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

You are aware, I know, of the Borough of Brooklyn and its huge population. Therefore, I am rather surprised that in your study of daily newspapers and your column devoted to press roundup, you have not mentioned the Brooklyn Eagle.

Far be it from me to sell you the Eagle. However, for the past several months they have had a consistent policy of slandering, red-baiting, insulting and brazenly attacking Rev. William Howard Melish, the associate rector at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Brooklyn. I do not have to give you any background on Dr. Melish, but you can find plenty in some recent issues of the Eagle, particularly the ones of Jan. 20 and Feb. 1.

It is true Dr. Melish is a Brook-

lyn minister, but how many ministers are there in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles or any corner of the U.S.A. who can or will take a courageous stand on the side of progress? The workers' press should publicize the war aims of the Eagle.

Please, let's have some quick action on this, as time is growing short and the blood-thirsty press is impatient to guillotine our modern Prince of Peace. V.J.

Non-Communists Aid Fund Drive

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Although we are not members of the Communist Party, we appreciate the brave fight you are making in the cause of peace, and your endorsement of Henry A. Wallace. We are enclosing \$7 for the Daily Worker Drive.

E. and V.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE's Walter Lippmann is thrashing around for an out for the Truman Doctrine-Marshall Plan. Expenditures, he points out, are well over 20 billion a year, and the disturbing thing is "that they support a foreign policy in which, as it is now conducted, this rate of expenditures will increase rather than diminish." Moreover, it isn't working, Lippmann says, observing: "We have assumed the whole burden in Greece but the prospects of our being able to subdue the rebellion or to settle it are less favorable than when we rushed in a year ago." And it looks the same to Lippmann all over.

THE WORLD - TELEGRAM agrees with Marshall's program to key reparations from Germany with the Marshall Plan. It wants a "review of the entire administration of this policy," to that end.

THE TIMES agrees. "There is only one criterion, it would seem, by which this issue should be decided, and that is whether the dismantlings will aid or hamper European recovery." The Times suggests "a re-examination of the whole situation" by all the Marshall Plan countries.

THE SUN is first to react to the Soviet Union's expose of the whole shameful record of Munich appeasement. Panicked, it calls it an example of "the time hon-

ored maxim that the best defense is an attack. . . ."

THE POST terms Secretary Royall's stand on segregation in the armed forces "direct defiance of President Truman's recent order" to end discrimination. It chides the Supreme Court decision as a "result of the nine honored justices' lifting their black robes and daintily skirting the obvious. It's nonsense to talk of a segregated group's receiving equal training with others, whether behind a textbook or a gun."

THE MIRROR is happy because of the commodity price break and blames high prices on government purchases.

THE NEWS says it wants an international force to enforce the UN decision on Palestine—as long as "no soldiers from any of the Big Five nations—Britain, China, France, Russia, or the United States" are on it.

PM's Jennings Perry chides both GOP and Democratic Party Congressmen with the observation that it's up to them to make a showing on Truman's civil rights program. "The Republicans have the majority, and their own party's pledges bid them to the very same reforms the Democratic Chief Executive has called for. The time is now, and if the legislation fails, then neither party, as for civil rights, will have a moral leg to stand on in November."

World of Labor

By George Morris

ACTU Takes To Stormtrooping

THE Association of Catholic Trade Unionists has now taken to storm-troop tactics. Mere admiration for Gen. erals Franco and de Gaulle from afar is apparently considered far short of requirements from the ACTU member today. To give the program an authoritative and blessed sendoff, Father Charles O. Rice, Pittsburgh ACTU chaplain, took a personal hand in a recent performance in that city. Some months ago, following a terrific shellacking Rice's gang received in elections of Local 601, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, he asked in his Pittsburgh Catholic column for some thoughts on what the ACTU should do next.



The breakup of two UE meetings on Jan. 29 by his storm-troopers indicates what the decision came to. The meetings were addressed by the UE's three top officers—president Albert Fitzgerald, secretary-treasurer Julius Emspak and organization director James Matles. The three are touring UE districts preparing them to meet the approaching wage fight.

IN PITTSBURGH they ran into the new ACTU line. It came at an evening meeting in Fort Pitt Hotel. Locals from towns miles around and as far away as West Virginia sent busloads of shop stewards to hear the leaders.

As the meeting opened it was quite apparent that about a dozen of the ACTU characters already had their first installment of spirits. When Emspak finished, one John Duffy whom the Allis Chalmers Co. on a leave of absence to work full time for the disruptive opposition in the UE, rose to demand that the floor be opened to questions. President Stanley L. Loney of the UE's district organization ruled that questions would be allowed after the three speakers finished.

Up jumped another lad named Tom Nolan, president of Local 638, supported by his cohorts. He let loose a barrage of abusive language at the UE's leaders. The gang kept shouting and held up the meeting, while Nolan and a couple of his side-kicks occasionally dived down to the Fort Pitt Hotel bar for a "quickie."

IT WAS OBVIOUS that these gangsters wanted to be thrown out bodily so they could stir up a riot. No pleas from the leaders had any effect upon them. Reminders by Matles that Hitler's stormtroopers worked precisely that way inside unions before they reached the next and more violent stage, had no sobering effect on the ACTU gangsters.

Finally the meeting was adjourned and Nolan's people triumphantly departed for the hotel bar. But the bulk of the workers did not go away. They pleaded that the meeting reconvene. It did go on without Father Rice's boys for a while. But they soon got word down to the barroom and came back. Confronted with a closed door, they kicked in the glass and created quite a commotion, until police came and arrested Nolan and S. Steven Rossner, the district secretary, who Nolan said "pushed" him.

While no one was permitted to see Rossner, Father Rice was permitted to see Nolan and bail him out. Father Rice and Duffy were also seen walking arm-in-arm out of the Fort Pitt after the meeting there ended.

FATHER RICE is also shown in a picture in the January issue of Steel Labor, official organ of the United Steelworkers. He was at a dinner of union and management representatives of District 19 of the steel union. He was seated next to Alexander Arnold, director of labor relations of the Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co. of Youngblood, Pa. Speaking was William Hart, District 19 director and Pennsylvania president of ACTU.

Steel Labor describes the union-management love fest in very laudatory terms and quotes Hart's exhortations for "efficiency." This is the same Hart who, with the Robertshaw company's head, addressed the employees over the plant loudspeaker last August. Hart told them:

"Do not fail to recognize that your take home pay is not going to be affected, that even though your time study rate is cut, you can by increasing production maintain your take home pay."

Speedup, company unionism, is the program behind the ACTU's stormtroop tactics. It seems almost yesterday that we read stories of how company thugs in Aliquippa, McKeesport, Weirton and other such places, broke up meetings of the Steelworkers Organizing Committee—just as Father Rice's ACTU boys are doing today.

COMING: Lincoln's Stand on Civil Rights, by Abner W. Berry. . . . In Tomorrow's Daily Worker

Clearing the Poisoned Air

WHO CAN possibly answer the Soviet reply to the State Department's "documents" on the 1939-41 period?

Who can seriously deny that German imperialism was revived by the millions which the Dawes Plan took from American tax payers and poured into juicy investments for Wall Street?

Who can deny that Hitler's entire economic and diplomatic success in the '30s was based on support from British Tories, from American industrialists, from the future traitors of France?

And who can deny that the war did not begin in 1939, but long before, and that the war could have been averted, even in 1939—by collective security as proposed by the USSR—or at least its cost and suffering minimized?

This is part of the bitter record of our time. It is irrefutable, undeniable. Historians have registered it. The Nuernberg trials documented it. Every day in the New York Times the memoirs of former Secretary Cordell Hull confirm the ugly story. What a mockery of truth for the State Department to select a few scraps from the Nazi files in a futile attempt to rewrite history!

As we said at the time, the State Department's action was not only false as far as history goes, but a vindictive attempt to worsen relations with the Soviet Union.

Moscow now reveals that the Soviets proposed at the end of the war that Nazi documents should be edited jointly, and with "careful and objective verification." This offer was rejected. The western powers preferred to poison the atmosphere. Now the Soviet Union clears it.

The entire episode, however, has one positive aspect. It shows that the men who misrule this country, and are now trying to rebuild a reactionary Germany again, fear the growing movement for a genuine understanding with the Soviet Union.

They fear the Wallace movement. They fear everyone who remembers some history. They fear the power and enlightenment of the people. Let us make that fear justified by fighting more vigorously to change a foreign policy that once before brought disaster and can only bring disaster again.

Another Victim

ATTORNEY GENERAL CLARK kept to his announced anti-civil rights schedule yesterday when he slammed John Williamson onto Ellis Island and held him for deportation. Not satisfied with this flagrant violation of democratic rights, the government has even denied Williamson the elementary right of bail.

Each 10 days the gates of Ellis Island must close on a Communist, according to Clark's time table. And if there is no new Communist to arrest, they slam the gates again on Gerhart Eisler, the German Communist held here against his will.

It's all part of the new technique—used to frighten the nation into support of the Administration's drive against all opposition to its reactionary foreign policy and the rule of bankers and generals at home.

Tom Clark and the bankers and generals he serves—just as Hitler before them—will not stop with Communists.

Indeed, already they have whacked at trade union leaders like Michael Obermeier, Charles Doyle, John Santo, the Negro leader Claudia Jones and the Jewish fighter, Alexander Bittelman.

For 25 years, his entire adult life, Williamson was an active Communist. His worth to America is best expressed in the CIO rubber, steel and auto unions which he helped to build.

If the labor movement and the liberals allow the administration to make a concentration camp of Ellis Island—others will follow. Call a halt now to these attacks on freedom of thought and political activity.

Demand that charges against Williamson and other arrested Communists and progressives be dropped and that they be freed forthwith.

Demand that Williamson and Eisler be granted bail immediately.

MAGICIAN



CP and the 3d Party Movement

(Continued from yesterday)

Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, in his report to the meeting of the party's National Committee three-day meeting which ended Feb. 5, clarified the party's relationship to the third party movement. Dennis warned against

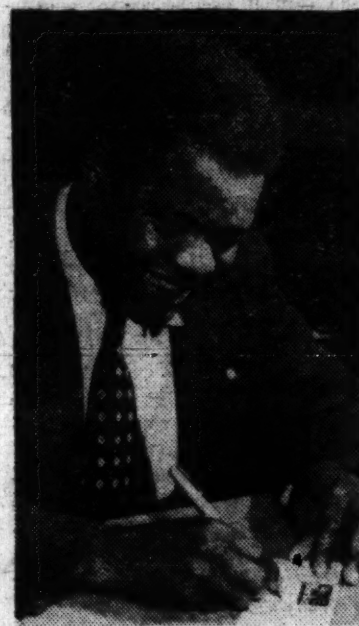
both right opportunist mistakes and left sectarian attitudes and methods of work by Communists. He discussed in detail the responsibility of Communists towards the building of the people's movement. He said that the objectives of the Communists "in these crucial elections, and in the period ahead, are equally the objectives of the anti-imperialist labor-progressive camp." At the same time, he laid the greatest stress on the strengthening of the party organizationally and ideologically and the need to extend the number of its readers and influence of its press. This, he pointed out will also strengthen the people's movement.

Dennis gave a critical review of the work of the party in the period since the party's emergency convention which broke with Browder revision. He noted a number of serious weaknesses and errors:

"During the first two years of the postwar period when we pursued—and correctly so—the tactic of left-center coalition of the CIO, we failed to consistently develop an independent position. We did not maintain a sufficiently critical position towards our former allies, nor did we combine existing—though limited—united front relations with the top and district trade union officials, with an energetic organization of the united front of struggle in the shops, locals and communities.

"Moreover, we were slow in drawing all the necessary practical conclusions from our correct estimate and principal opposition to the Marshall Plan. We were slow in recognizing in time and speedily counteracting the shift and realignment that took place in top CIO circles in connection with the promulgation of the Marshall Plan.

"In connection with the development of the Wallace peace campaign and the third party movement, here our generally correct political orientation and line was considerably weakened for a time by our failure to wage an adequate struggle against a host of sectarian and opportunist tendencies. We were much too slow and tolerant in combatting erroneous views of a part of the national leadership of certain District organizations and many of our trade union cadres who up until the announcement of the Wallace candidacy expressed doubts as to the advisability of an independent presidential ticket,



WINSTON

Reports on organization

and confused the maneuverings and treacherous position of most of labor's top officials as being the position of the rank and file of labor."

Dennis dealt with the necessity of learning from mistakes, of applying correctly and constructively the weapon of self-criticism. He said:

"In critically evaluating our work and in correcting our mistakes and weaknesses—AS WE HAVE BEEN AND ARE DOING—we are NOT going to obscure the fact that the general political line of the Party has been and is correct; and we have many positive achievements which have resulted solely because there is a correct Party line and because there has been a correct application of the Party's main line and tactics. Nor are we going to tolerate for one second the efforts of a handful of irresponsible elements to exploit our errors and weaknesses for factional purposes."

WILLIAMSON IN HIS REPORT called attention to the wide support that already exists in the trade union movement for the Wallace candidacy and for a new political party opposed to the two old parties dominated by the trusts and reactionaries.

He called attention to the significance of the recent meeting of the CIO National Board when, despite the pressure exerted against them, the representatives of more than a million and a half

workers voted against the Marshall Plan and clearly indicated their intention of refusing to be bound by any decisions against the Wallace candidacy. He pointed to the sentiments among the auto workers for Wallace as proof that there exists such wide support in all unions no matter what the position of the top leadership. He stressed the possibility of developing a broad Wallace for President movement within the AFL unions.

Williamson's extensive report reviewed the status of the fight against the Taft-Hartley slave law; the growing dissatisfaction among the workers because of the rise in the cost of living; increasing speedup and other methods of worsening the conditions of the workers.

Williamson said the movement for wage increases is growing and already embraces most of the workers in the basic industries including the steel workers, electrical workers, auto and maritime workers. He pointed to the mood of struggle among the miners, he showed the direct connection of the struggles to the striving among the masses to build the Wallace for President and third party movement.

Williamson said:

"The Communists must recognize the special significance of the present round of wage struggles in this election year. There will be some among the trade union leaders who will fear the struggle and there is a grave danger of labor not getting everything that is possible. The pro-Truman, pro-Marshall Plan position of the majority of trade union leaders will inevitably influence them not to fight aggressively for the demands of the workers. . . . We must contribute everything we have to help achieve the maximum unity of action and to push forward to victory these struggles of the workers and their trade unions."

COMRADE WINSTON, reporting on the "Organizational and Ideological Status and Tasks of the Party," described the real nature of the unprecedented, all-sided and vicious attack against the Party. He said this attack is proceeding on the ideological front directly from the monopolists, the right Social Democrats and the liberals of the right and from the agencies of government.

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Communists and the 3rd Party

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He pointed out that this campaign in itself clearly shows that millions are no longer fooled by the promises of the capitalists and their tools.

Williamson declared that it is precisely the new moods among the masses and their desire for struggle that moves the capitalists to a realization that other measures are needed to prevent the rising struggles. This is what is behind the mobilization of the government, the courts, the police power, the fascist-like measures against the people through the Un-American Committee, the President's loyalty oaths which are already spreading to private employment, the persecution of workers' leaders, the new deportation delirium, the renewed attacks against the Negro people. The singling out of the Communist Party for the sharpest measures, said Williamson, the attempt to imprison Eugene Dennis, the Truman Administration's persecution of the outstanding Jewish leader, Alexander Bittelman, and the Negro woman leader, Claudia Jones, both members of the National Committee of the Communist Party, does not indicate that other anti-fascists will not be attacked. They are already being attacked, said Williamson, pointing to the persecution of the leaders of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and of the Hollywood writers.

Winston declared the enemies of the Party and the people have not succeeded in weakening the Party. And, as the people's resistance grows, he said, the enemies of the people will succeed even less. He pointed to the fact that the Party will register somewhat more members this year than last as proof that the Party membership and its leadership are withstanding and will continue to withstand all attacks.

Precisely because the struggle is sharpening, Winston said, and new responsibilities confront the Party with the beginnings of the people's upsurge it is necessary to overcome quickly all weaknesses in the Party's ideological and organizational work. To build the Party as never before.

Winston called for greater attention to the Marxist education of the Party's membership and to the training of leadership on every level. He called for an improvement of the content and for a wider distribution of the Party's literature. He emphasized the need for building the Daily Worker and The Worker as essential to develop the mass struggles, the mass movements and the building of the Party.

HE CALLED attention to the necessity to improve greatly work in the areas of concentration and to increase the leading role of the industrial workers in the Party. He stressed the need for a great improvement in the work of the clubs, the basic organizations of the Party and to make the clubs leaders of the people's struggles, the place for the political education of the membership.

Winston clarified the erroneous conception that there is a con-

tradition between a Marxist Party that is on the one hand big and on the other consistent and active. He said that only by working in a correct manner can the Party achieve both quality and quantity.

One of the Party's most important weaknesses dealt with by Winston in his report was the building of the Party among the Negro people. It was disclosed that now, as in the recent past, the Party's greatest relative successes in recruiting are among the Negro people. At the same time, it was found, asserted Winston, that many of the Negro members are not yet registered. Some try to explain this by calling it "bad recruiting," said Winston. He declared:

"It is my feeling that this problem exists for three basic reasons:

"First, the existence of white chauvinism, open and hidden, especially as it relates to the concrete fight for the advancement of the Negro workers from unskilled to skilled positions which has become more aggravated in the postwar period, the fight against restrictive covenants and segregation in housing, the fight against police brutality, etc.

"Second, the existence of petty-bourgeois contempt on the part of a number of Negro cadres toward inarticulate Negro workers.

"Third, the failure to integrate our Negro membership in the educational and cultural life of the clubs."

After a thorough discussion of the reports, in which almost all members of the National Committee participated, the reports and all the proposals were adopted unanimously.

Among these was a series of proposals to build the Daily Worker's circulation to 35,000 and the circulation of The Worker to 100,000 this year.

Special attention in the discussion was given to work among the youth, reported on by the Party's youth director, Betty Gannett, and work among women.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and Claudia Jones, chairman and secretary of the woman's commission, respectively, spoke.

The National Committee approved unanimously the position taken by the National Board toward the Communist Information Bureau (printed in the Daily Worker of Nov. 3).

The National Committee authorized the Party's National Board to make all the arrangements to hold the Party's next national convention toward the end of July, 1948.

Prices

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10 cents in recent days "but wholesale prices in the area are down 10 to 20 cents a pound from the January high."

RETAILERS ALARMED

The Department of Markets also reported that "retailers are alarmed by the widespread and persistent reports of toppling prices." When these same retailers, however, go to the wholesale markets they find "no marked reductions for the retail trade," said the Department spokesman.

Last week the department reported that consumer resistance to high meat prices had created a more than ample supply in steaks and other expensive cuts. As a result, butchers were raising the prices of cheaper cuts. The lower-priced meats remain high, but the steaks are dropping slightly.

Lever Bros. Co., manufacturers of soap and shortening, yesterday announced a two-cent cut in the price of Spry, and Procter & Gamble also reported a similar cut in Crisco prices.

Procter didn't say a word about a drop in soap or soap powder. The Wall Street Journal, however, reported that one of the main ingredients of soap, tallow, which sold for 27 cents a pound last month, is now 19 cents.

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Honor Dr. Weltfish

Dr. Gene Weltfish urged women to fight more actively to resist war-makers at a luncheon held in her honor yesterday by the Brooklyn Chapter of the Congress of American Women. Dr. Weltfish will leave shortly for Warsaw, Poland to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Women's International Democratic Federation.

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WOR-News; Answer Man
WJZ-News; Nancy Craig
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2:30-WNBC-Holly Sloan
WOR-Martin Bloch
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WCBS-Marriage for Two
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World
WOR-Rose of My Dreams
WQXR-Favorite Melodies
WQXR-Musical Memory Game
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-Movie Majors
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WCBS-Double or Nothing
WQXR-News; Opera Scenes
3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WOR-Song of Stranger
WJZ-Paul Whiteman
WCBS-Art Linkletter
WNYC-UN Session
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
WOR-Daily Dilemmas
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Barbara Welles
WCBS-Hint Hunt
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
4:25-WCBS-News Reports
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones
WOR-Ladies Man
WJZ-Treasury Band
WCBS-Galen Drake
4:45-WNBC-Young Widder Brown
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Adventure Parade
WJZ-Dick Tracy
WCBS-School of the Air
WNYC-Disk Date
WQXR-News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
WOR-Superman
WJZ-Terry and the Pirates
WQXR-Sian Freeman, Piano
5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Captain Midnight
WJZ-Sky King
WCBS-Winner Take All

WQXR-Cocktail Time

5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell
WOR-Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart
WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-Joe Hasel
WCBS-Eric Sevareid
WNYC-National Orchestral Association Rehearsal
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC-Bill Stern
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Ethel and Albert
WCBS-Talks
6:20-WNBC-Dick Leibel
6:30-WNBC-Milton Shrednik Orchestra
WOR-News; Fred Vandeventer
WJZ-Allen Prescott
WCBS-Lum n' Abner
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WOR-Stan Lomax
WCBS-Lowell Thomas
WNYC-Weather; Aviation
7:00-WNBC-Supper Club
WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WJZ-Headline Edition
WCBS-Beulah
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
WQXR-News; Concert Stage
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Davis
WCBS-Jack Smith
7:30-WNBC-John Duffy and Marilyn, Songs
WOR-Carey Longmire
WJZ-Lone Ranger
7:30-WMCA-UE-CIO Program: Arthur Gaeth's commentary; Negro History Week program featuring Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Paul Robeson, Lena Horne, Rev. Kenneth Williams, and others
WCBS-Club 15
WQXR-Jacques Fray
7:45-WNBC-Kaltenborn
WOR-Bill Brandt
WCBS-Edward R. Murrow
8:00-WNBC-Dennis Day
WOR-Can You Top This?
WJZ-Mayor of the Town
WCBS-Melody Hour
WNYC-Organ Recital
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Great Guildersleeve
WOR-Boston Blackie
WJZ-Vox Pop
WCBS-Dr. Christian
WNYC-Perspectives in Medicine
8:55-WCBS-Bill Henry
WOR-Billy Rose
9:00-WNBC-Duffy's Tavern
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WJZ-Abbott and Costello
WCBS-Mark Warnow
WNYC-Career Research
WQXR-News; Concert Hall
9:15-WOR-Poems-A. L. Alexander
9:30-WNBC-District Attorney
WOR-Box 13-Sketch
WJZ-Groucho Marx
WCBS-Romance
WNYC-Facts for Veterans
WQXR-Designs in Harmony
9:45-WQXR-Top Talks
WNYC-News
10:00-WNBC-Big Story
WOR-Bulldog Drummond
WJZ-Bing Crosby
WCBS-Whistler
WQXR-News; Opera Preview
10:30-WNBC-Jimmy Durante
WOR-Symphonette
WJZ-Tony Martin Show
WCBS-Open Hearing
WQXR-Dean Alfange
11:00-WNBC-News; Music
WOR-News; Music
WJZ-News; Music
WCBS-News; Overseas Report
WQXR-News; U. N. This Week
11:15-WQXR-Hour of Symphony
WCBS-Robert Q. Lewis Show
11:30-WNBC-Your United Nations
WCBS-Galen Drake
12:00-WNBC, WCBS-News; Music
WOR, WJZ-News; Music
WQXR-News Reports

Life of the Party

Weekending With
The Communist Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

COMRADE Lena had a birthday, so being a practical woman, she turned it to good use as a fund-raising party for the Dressmakers Club, Communist Party, Saturday night. In spite of cold, drizzly weather, a large number turned out. They are still rejoicing over the wonderful event of last week when Paul Robeson and Howard Fast spoke at a Civil Rights Congress meeting, at 6:30, after the day's work finished.

The Yugoslav Hall is right in the heart of the garment center and 1,500 people attended. Many stood on the stairs and out in the hall but their reward was in hearing Paul Robeson sing. Many more were turned away.

They have collected over 5,000 signatures in the shops on the petitions to abolish the Un-American Committee and \$500 was contributed in dimes and quarters by the needle workers to the Congress.

They have certainly showed what can be done among workers who have a militant tradition and are not politically in Dubinsky's vest pocket to be delivered to Truman. Their example should be followed elsewhere.

THERE WERE ONLY THREE non-Party women at their Saturday party but two of them honored Lena's birthday by joining the Party. One was a woman from Trinidad, who knew Claudia Jones when she was a little girl.

I feel moved to pay a tribute at this point to People's Songs, Inc. So many places I go, an inspiring and enjoyable contribution is made by a singer who comes under their auspices, regardless of weather, distance, or size of crowd.

This time Mr. Friedman gave

a round-the-world song program, singing in Chinese, Jewish, Russian, Spanish and English—beautiful songs of the people to the delight of those who understood the words and joined in the Spanish, Russian and Jewish choruses.

He had still another engagement to fill that evening. He has a beautiful voice, an informal and friendly manner, sang without an accompanist and brought the co-operative spirit of People's Songs to the group. They deserve real appreciation for their splendid work.

SUNDAY MORNING I was taken to a Bergen County Communist Party fund-raising breakfast in the I.W.O. Hall at Cliffside, N.J. They are launching their drive to raise by March 15 \$5,000, which is their quota of N.J.'s \$50,000 campaign.

The pancakes and coffee were wonderful, as much as one could eat. The first contribution was from a middle aged woman, who opened her purse and produced her husband's pay check for \$73.09, which he proudly endorsed. They live in Congressman Thomas' district and pledged to raise more "to get him out."

They told me the people who live in the same town with him have absolutely no respect for him. They consider him a "turncoat" on three counts. "When he was in Hagues' kingdom in Jersey City, his name was Feeny; he was a Democrat and a Catholic. Now in upper New Jersey, he is J. Parnell Thomas, a Republican and a Protestant," they said.

This get together was predominantly of the workingclass members of our Bergen County Party. There were 25 people present.

They collected in cash \$688.59 and pledged \$900, a total of \$1,588.49 or nearly one-third of the quota.

This is a real challenge to the professional groups, many of whom work in New York and live in Bergen County, some of whom are in Florida at present.

IT IS MY CANDID opinion no matter how much others contribute and many do very generously, no one contributes as much proportionately and out of their needed subsistence as do the workers in our Party.

I saw an unemployed worker give \$10 Sunday morning and pledge to raise \$40 more, a real sacrifice. An elderly Negro comrade gave \$20. A young woman gave her week's pay of \$15.

Another young lady, recently transferred in from New York and who had done her share in the fund drive there, raised \$20 on the sale of scarfs and will keep it up. Many came in from distributing the Sunday Worker, which now has a circulation of 115 in the section, but they are out to build it to at least 250.

Parnell Thomas won't sleep well when he hears all this—and that 1,000 people will meet in Hackensack at a high school Feb. 19 to launch a "Wallace for President Committee" in the arch-reactionary's own district. He'll have nightmares—we hope.

Milk That Is Eaten

Some children balk at drinking milk and to get this perfect food in their system mother must resort to foods containing milk instead of drinking it plain. All cream soups contain milk. All custards and cornstarch puddings contain milk. Homemade cakes usually have milk in their recipes.

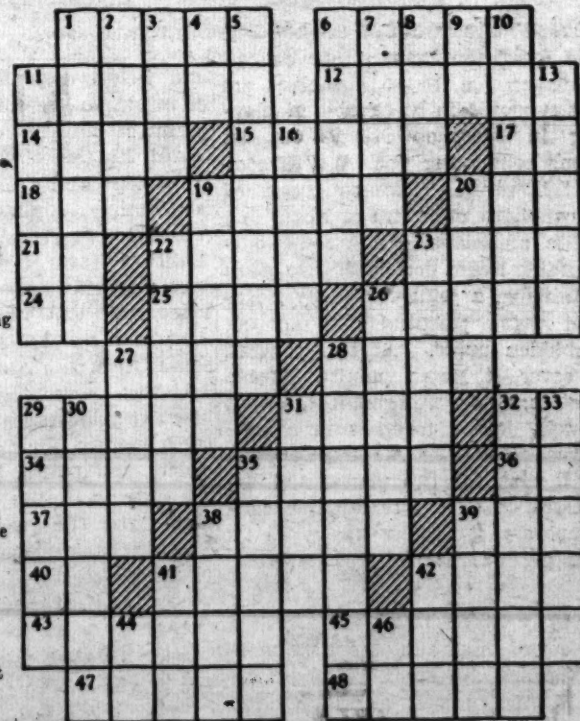
Chocolate syrup added to plain milk sometimes makes all the difference in the world.

Serve plenty of milk with cereals and encourage free use of milk by having an extra little pitcher for the child to pour from.

Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

- 1-Taste and odor
- 6-Lowest point
- 11-Dominion
- 12-Friend of Roland
- 14-To ascend
- 15-Strengthen
- 17-Pronoun
- 18-Malt beverage
- 19-Luster
- 20-Sheep's cry
- 21-Compass point
- 22-Land belonging to a parish church
- 23-Osler
- 24-Suffix indicating past tense
- 25-Repetition
- 26-Robust
- 27-Contrived
- 28-Omen
- 29-Overhead
- 31-Former Roman emperor
- 32-What?
- 34-Smooth
- 35-Entrance to a Buddhist temple
- 36-Note of scale
- 37-Toward the stern
- 38-To becloud
- 39-Chart
- 40-Artificial language
- 41-Hebrew prophet
- 42-Hoop
- 43-Unassuming
- 45-Brambly
- 47-Rings of a chain
- 48-Bird of prey



VERTICAL

- 1-Grinned
- 2-Projecting part of a building
- 3-To contend
- 4-Conjunction
- 5-Filled
- 6-Snare
- 7-European mountain system
- 8-God of the underworld
- 9-Four
- 10-To recommit
- 11-To rob
- 13-Prepared
- 16-Loose outer garment
- 19-Cover for the hand
- 20-Stable
- 22-Small wood
- 23-Four-wheeled vehicle
- 26-Man's name
- 27-Custom
- 28-Arranged in succession
- 29-To rouse to vigilance
- 30-To deceive
- 31-Complication
- 32-"Lily maid of Astolat"
- 33-By accident
- 35-Examines
- 38-Thicket
- 39-Poetic: earth
- 41-Fowl
- 42-Quagmire
- 44-Roman gods
- 46-Exclamation of triumph

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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PER AIL BEAT
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The Memoirs of 'Remy' Secret Agent of Free France

MEMOIRS OF A SECRET AGENT OF FREE FRANCE, by Remy. Vol. 1: June, 1940-June, 1942. The Silent Company. Whittlesey House. \$4.

By Joseph Clark

THIS alone can be a measure of the distance we have traveled since the war against Hitler: Here is a book written right after the war by a devout Catholic, a friend of Maurice Schumann and Gen. Charles DeGaulle. And the author pays tribute to the Communists in the French resistance movement as "the heroic advance guard" of the liberation.

Remy, or Colonel G. Renault-Roulier, organized one of the major intelligence networks in France serving the Allied Forces. The first volume of his memoirs covers his escape to Britain in June 1940; his assignment as a secret agent in France; the organization of a network covering the major cities of the occupied zone; gathering information useful in the fight against German submarine warfare, and for the raids on Bruneval and St. Nazaire, and later in the invasion of France.

Volume I ends with Remy's escape to Britain together with his wife and four children, in June, 1942, after the Gestapo had finally discovered Raymond, Remy, Jean-Luc as one and the same man.

WHILE THE BULK of the book is devoted to a record of his experience in organizing his intelligence network, Remy often sheds light on other aspects of the French situation during the occupation. Remy himself was a participant in the bourgeois part of the French war against Hitler, that which was officially tied to de Gaulle and the London headquarters. Nevertheless, Remy, a former official of the Bank of France and a movie producer casts the French bourgeois in his role as a "patriot" of the pocketbook and the enemy of his country.

"The bourgeois of whom I have been speaking is the director of companies, who represents their interests through thick and thin, the money-grubbing peasant, whose money is his god, the swindler who will never give up his black market activities, the general whose rank is his raison d'être, and the bishop who glories in his miter. All these people are wedded to something or other; whatever it is, it is not France. . . ."

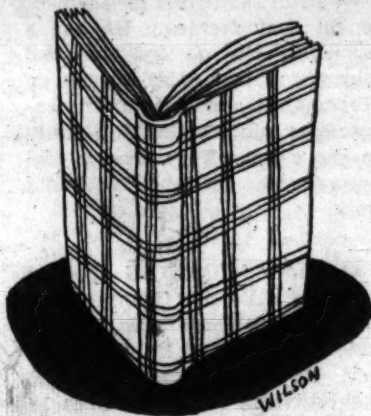
Remy dispels the romantic myth that the entire French people rose against the German invader. As late as 1942 Remy says, "with rare exceptions, the only armed secret organizations that were fighting effectively against the Germans were the Francs-Tirailleurs et Partisans." These were called "terrorists" by the Germans; they were the army of the various parties of the National Front, in which the Communists played a leading part.

CHARACTERISTIC in this regard is the inference which the New York Times reviewer of this book, Theodore Draper, draws from Remy's statement about the role of the FTP. Draper asserts that the Communist partisans weren't fighting till 1942. Remy, at least pointed out that the Communists fought in an organized, military struggle before any other force in France.

Remy's agent, La Bardonnie describes the Communists in the concentration camp:

"The behavior of the Communists was wonderful. Their discipline, their order, their esprit de corps was a source of admiration to us all. . . . They were the only prisoners who did not steal. . . . The Communists were so scrupulous in their distribution of rations that often I received with my ration an additional piece of bread about the size of a walnut to make up the exact weight."

THE READER MAY OFTEN be annoyed with Remy for the trust he places in "fortune" and lucky people as well as the tangible results he assigns to prayer. More serious is his failure to place the resistance movement fully in its proper setting. But for what it sets out to do the book is admirable as an exciting narrative of one phase of the war against Hitler.



Hollywood: Studios Arteries Leaking

By David Platt

DESPERATELY searching for insignificant themes with new angles the film moguls have come up with four blood stories:

• **Blood on the Snow**, a prison-break yarn (Eagle-Lion).

• **Blood on the Moon** (RKO).

• **Kiss the Blood Off My Hands**, a gangster story (Universal-International).

• **The Red of My Blood**, a whimsical little piece about produce truck drivers and their brawls (20th Century Fox).

Od's blood! Is the tear-jerker giving way to the bloodjerker? . . .

TURNING OVER the same old decrepit leaf, Warners will do **The Bright Leaf** as a plug for the tobacco trust. With the American people smoking something like 327 billion cigarettes a year, this should extend the total to an even trillion and add a few more pennies to the skyrocketing Trust fund. **LS-MFT!** . . . **Illegal Entry**, a passport fraud story, will salute the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. Page the Thomas Committee . . . **Barbara Stanwyck** enacts her entire role in the murder story, **Sorry, Wrong Number**, in bed. Time will



JOHNNIE WEISMULLER as Tarzan, the Ape-Man

tell whether she should've stood in it. . . . **Fatima** is being made into a movie for the nth time.

GOOD, CLEAN FUN? . . . "The wide distribution of Tarzan in comic strips and books has made the Ape man a symbol of adventure the world over. Tarzan comes closest to representing all the things we admire most in human beings." (Lowell Redellings-Movie Editor, **Hollywood Citizen News**). . . . The last Tarzan film that we saw (**Tarzan's New York Adventure** I think it was called), showed an African jungle monkey exchanging telephone remarks with a Negro worker in New York. The scene implied that a Negro and a chimpanzee "understand each other." Good, clean, wholesome humor — for Kukluxers and polltaxers). . . .

NOTES FROM ABROAD . . . Poland is producing **The Story of the Warsaw Ghetto**. . . . The Motion Picture Workers Union of Venezuela has notified the Walt Disney Studios that its members will refuse to project any more Disney cartoons until Donald Duck's dog Bolivar is given another name. The union regards the use of that name by a dog an insult to the memory of **Simon Bolivar**, national hero of Venezuela.

NICE WORK if you can get it dept. . . . Rita Hayworth was kissed 635 times by 107 actors testing for roles in **Loves of Carmen**. . . .



ORSON WELLES in a pose from the famous film "Citizen Kane" revived this Friday through Monday at the Beverly Theatre, 50 St. and Third Ave. The associate feature is John Steinbeck's "Forgotten Village."

Today's Film:

Only A Few Good Ones Off B'way

By Herb Tank

AND so this guy said to me: "All those pictures you tagged as worth seeing yesterday, they're all first-run pictures playing at Broadway houses. Me, I'm strictly a neighborhood movie boy. Four bits to six bits is my limit. What d'ya recommend?"

"That's easy," I told him. We looked over today's movie listings.

"Well, there's **Open City** at the Apollo. Great picture. . . ."

"Saw it," he said. "Twice."

We looked some more.

"There's that English comedy, **Tawny Pipit** at the Art. Lot of fun that picture."

He said: "Maybe. What else?"

We looked. Smoked a cigarette, and looked some more. Pretty slim pickings.

Finally we rounded up another film worth seeing: **My Father's House** at the Irving Place.

We went back over the list from

the beginning.

"Oh yeah," I said, "here's one. Its nothing terrific, but you could do worse."

"What's it called?"

"**High Wall**. But I just noticed something. Its not playing anymore."

"That's great."

I found a couple of more pretty good films like **Arrowsmith** and **Rembrandt**, but nothing made within the last 10 years.

We stopped looking. We had gone through the list twice. There just wasn't much playing at the second run houses.

"Well, thanks anyway, Pa," he said. "Read any good books lately?"

Music:

Dean Dixon's Memorable Symphonic Concert

DEAN DIXON'S Symphony at Midnight at Town Hall, Feb. 6, made so much musical history that is hard to review the concert as a purely musical event. According to

the unwritten laws of our concert and his own profound knowledge of music, to present the finest program of musical education ever heard in the city schools. This concert as well came about through his mainly single-handed efforts. Yet what was seen and heard that night at Town Hall was the "future"; another blow in a battle that must and will be won, to make American musical life truly representative of the American people.

It was an evening of good music. The two pianists in the Mozart concerto merged their styles with fine clarity and polish, bringing out all the sparkle of the two fast movements and the deep feeling of the wonderful slow movement. The original cadenzas of Mr. Haynes were inventive and suited to the music.

SUCH WELCOME events took a reviewer's mind away from the matters which are supposed to be his main concern, such as whether the Mozart performance included all the notes or whether the orchestra played consistently in tune. It can be said that the performances were on a very high level. What was more important however was that here could be seen a glimpse of the future of American music.

THIS CONCERT, unfortunately, did not represent a "trend." It was not backed by any of the major concert managements. Dean Dixon, a greatly gifted conductor, has had to create his own orchestra to conduct. He has used this orchestra,

THE NEW WORK offered was the Symphony No. 24 by the Soviet composer Nicolai Miaskowsky. The ingratiating melodies of its three movements are somewhat Asiatic and modal. The finely worked orchestral color ranges between a quiet, lovely impressionism and blazing sonorities. Its construction showed the composer's mastery of a freely moving, songful polyphony, giving the music a succinctness and impelling movement. It is music at once of the past and present, like an old heroic folk tale retold for modern audiences. A few more public performances should make this work immensely popular. —S.F.

Book Notes

CARSON McCULLERS has just returned to the United States to collaborate with Geer Johnson on the stage version of **The Member of the Wedding**, which the Theatre Guild expects to produce next season.

Barbed Wire Surgeon by Alfred A. Weinstein, will be published by Macmillan Feb. 24. This is the story of a group of doctors, dentists, nurses, and medics who continued to fight the Japanese from prison camps in the Philippines and in Japan after the surrender of Bataan and Corregidor. Dr. Weinstein spent three and a half years as one of this group, and for his part in the battle behind barbed wire he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

Jessamyn West, author of **The Friendly Persuasion** has a new book on the Harcourt, Brace list—**A Mirror for the Sky**—coming Feb. 19. A **Mirror for the Sky** is the script for a musical drama based on an original conception of Raoul Pene duBois for portraying the life of the painter-naturalist Audubon, and is illustrated by duBois.

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Around the Dial

Don Pryor's 'Report From Washington'
Says Truman Will Surrender to Poll-Taxers
By Bob Lauter

DON PRIOR, on CBS's *Report from Washington* (Sunday, 11:15 p.m.), discussed the recent slump in the grain market. Prior remarks that economists are unable to come to any agreement on the causes of the slump (the "science" of capitalist economics). He quoted the *Pravda* article which suggested that the slump may be the harbinger of a depression, and then took the defensive against Soviet—and by implication, Marxist—economists. Prior reassured his audience that Marxist economists don't know everything and even make mistakes from time to time.

The most significant aspect of Prior's broadcast, however, was his forecast, based on Washington rumor, that Truman will back down before the southern Democratic Party bigwigs who objected to his civil rights program. Truman, predicted Prior, will make another statement in the next few weeks. In this statement he will tone down his civil rights speech, especially the "anti-segregation" aspects of it. We suspect that Prior's prediction is correct.

WHAT TYPE of question would you put to a cross-section of American citizens if you wanted information on the trend of modern purchasing habits? *Welcome Travelers* (WJZ-ABC, Friday, 12 M.), a program which puts a "current" question a week to its audience, approached the topic in this fashion: "Do you like to have your husband—or wife—help you select your clothes?"

The world undoubtedly held its breath and trembled while waiting for the answers. This program displays a positive genius in taking a current subject and devising a question so unimportant that the answers are guaranteed to reveal nothing about anything.

JOHN KIERAN, popularly reputed to have more miscellaneous information in his head than anyone else, will demonstrate his knowledge of current music when he is interviewed by Paul Whiteman and acts as guest platter spinner during the ABC broadcast of *The Paul Whiteman Record Club* over WJZ (today, 3:30 p.m.).

THE AMERICAN Broadcasting Company is evidently stepping up its propaganda campaign for the year 1948. ABC has announced five major documentary programs "in the public interest."

One will be titled *Communism in America*, and your guess as to the character of that program is probably very accurate. A second



PAUL WHITEMAN cocks an attentive ear to the music turned out by the Harmonicats when the boys double up on two harmonicas during their visit to the ABC-WJZ "Paul Whiteman Club." On the air Monday through Friday, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

will be called *The Modern Pace*, a documentary which will portray the effect on human minds and emotions of the 20th century's urban phenomena, including speed, noise, complex organizations and crowds. The program will investigate the causes of increasing rates of insanity, ulcers, heart failure and hypertension in America. In other words, it will discuss many of the symptoms of "free enterprise," without mentioning the dirty word.

ABC is also planning a major documentary, to be produced "in a satirical style." This will encompass world affairs, including American relations with other nations.

All of these will doubtless amount—in spirit and content—to a radio version of a *Life* editorial.

(For radio listings see page 11.)



EVELYN KNIGHT, 'the lass with the delicate air' heard tonight at 10:00 on ABC's 'Star Theatre.' Also featured are Tony Martin and comedian Alan Young.



OSCAR LEVANT is Bing Crosby's guest on WJZ-ABC tonight at 10:00.

On Stage

Four Chekhov Comedies At the City Center

By Lee Newton

THE City Center's presentation of four one-act comedies by Anton Chekhov gives the audience a lot of Jose Ferrer and Richard Whorf but not enough of Chekhov. Messrs. Ferrer and Whorf, it's true, are extremely engaging actors and it's usually a pleasure watching them go through their paces. But Chekhov has his own pace and the actors and directors at the City Center didn't seem to jibe with his.

THE FIRST COMEDY, A Tragedian In Spite of Himself, is prac-

FOUR ONE-ACT COMEDIES, by Anton Chekhov. Presented by the City Center of Music and Drama at the New York City Center.

A TRAGEDIAN IN SPIKE OF HIMSELF
Ivan Ivanovitch Tolstachov
Richard Whorf
Alexey Alexeyevitch.....Robert Carroll

THE BEAR
Hiena Ivanovna Popova.....Frances Reid
Luka.....Francis Letton
Grigory Stepanovich Smirnov.....Jose Ferrer

ON THE HARMFULNESS OF TOBACCO
Ivan Ivanovitch Nyukhin.....Jose Ferrer

THE WEDDING
Anna Mariynovna Zmeyukin.....Paula Laurence
a Midwife.....Paula Laurence
Ivan Mihalovitch Yat.....Francis Letton

a Telegraph Clerk.....Francis Letton
The Best Man.....Richard Barr
Nastasya Timofeyevna.....Grace Coppin

the Mother.....Grace Coppin
Epaminond Maximovitch Aplombov, the Bridegroom.....Sam Kirkham
Yevdokim Zaharovitch Zhigalov, the Father.....Victor Thierley

Harlampy Spiridonovitch Dymba, a Greek Confectioner.....Will Kuluva
Dashenka, the Bride.....Phyllis Hill
Dmitry Stepanovitch Mozgovoy, a Sailor.....Leonardo Cimino

Andrey Andreyevitch Nyunn, an Insurance Agent.....John Carradine
Fyodor Yakovlevitch Revunov-Karaulov.....Richard Whorf

First Waiter.....Bobby Busch
Second Waiter.....Richard McMurray
Third Waiter.....Frank Campanella
Guests

Alex Berko, Susan Center, David Olive, Ellis Daniels, William LeMessena, Jacqueline Soans, Carol Whipple

tically a solo performance by Richard Whorf and is directed by Mr. Ferrer. Mr. Whorf here is the shattered harassed man whose entire summer at a resort is devoted to running errands and carrying bundles at the behest of his family. His version of a middle-class (Tsarist) Russian Casper Milquetoast, exasperated almost to the breaking point, is skilfully done in broad vaudeville style and gets plenty of laughs.

The second one-acter is *The Bear*. This familiar tale of a lusty creditor (Jose Ferrer) being captured by a lovely widow-debtor (Frances Reid) is played with an expert sense of timing and well staged physical action. Again the laughs were hearty.

Ferrer's monologue, a lecture entitled *On The Harmfulness Of Tobacco*, the third one-act play, is, in the Chekhovian sense, the most



LIBBY HOLMAN (above), Irwin Corey, Georgia Gibbs, Sonny Terry, Billy Banks, Helen Humes, Rose Murphy, Tondelaya and Calypso Boys, Dickie Wells and others will entertain at the New Masses-Mainstream all-star show tonight (Wednesday) at the City Center Casino, 133 W. 55th St. Tickets at all bookshops, Mainstream and Skazka.



PAULA LAURENCE in the Chekhov program of one-act plays at the City Center.

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through at the City Center.

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Lapchick Gives Modern Pros Nod

Long, lean Joe Lapchick proved yesterday that he wasn't one of those "good old days" guys when he came up with an assertion that the court kids of today are better all-round players than his own famed Celtics.

Lapchick, whose New York Knickerbockers are leading the tough Basketball Association of America, should know. He was the first of the famed "tower powers" back in the rugged days when the Celtics were touring the country and writing basketball history with such performers as Dutch Dehnert, Nat Holman, Johnny Beckman and Pete Barry.

But, according to Joe, it is time for the legend to move over and make room for the living. Defensively he'll still give the old timers the best of it. But offensively and on all-around ability this nod goes to the youngsters playing pro basketball today.

"That's not just because I'm a pro coach now, either," insisted Lapchick, whose St. John's Indians twice won National Invitation honors before he took over the Knicks this year. "The pro players have even more spirit than the collegians now and are more polished players."

There's a good reason for this and Lapchick makes it sound like poetry:

"If you don't hustle, you don't play. If you don't play, you're on your way."

As for the old days, Joe, who went right from neighborhood games to the original Celtics without benefit of college competition, doesn't believe everybody got a fair shake so the teams couldn't have been the best.

"If you weren't one of the players' friends they froze you out," he explained. "Vic Hansen of Syracuse was a great player and we wanted him on the Celtics but he wound up at Cleveland. So what happened? They had a clique protecting its friends and he never got anywhere."

The competition is so intense today, however, that it's every man for himself and team interest subjugates such tactics in most cases, Lapchick contended.

The outcry against the tall men in basketball and the clamor for legislation against them has subsided of late, which makes Joe happy.

"A good little man can play in any league, in the first place," he explained. "But, as far as legislating against the big men, don't they have as much right to play the game as the little fellows? Why should a man be penalized just because he happens to be tall?"

Lapchick isn't talking that way because he has a corner on the tall timber talent. As a matter of fact, the 47-year-old coach contends that he needs more height.

"Lee Knorek and Dick Holub are our tallest men at six feet, six inches," Joe pointed out. "We should have at least one man who goes six feet, eight inches, because you need height to counter height."

"In college you are lucky if you have two good-sized boys," Lapchick added. "But in pro ball you need six men of good size."

The reason is that in pro ball there are no breathers, he insisted. "In college, 700 ball is a poor season. Here, 600 wins the pennant."

Lapchick, an up-to-date old-timer, figures to do just that because he has faith in the ability of the youngsters.

BARBARA ANN \$\$ BOUND?

DAVOS, Switzerland, Feb. 10 (UP)—Virtually the same array of sparkling skaters who performed in the Olympics games, headed by the favored champions Barbara Ann Scott and Dick Button, were getting in their final practice licks today for the opening of the world's championship competition tomorrow.

Gretchen Merrill of Boston, however, who finished eighth in the Olympic competition, withdrew today from the competition because she felt "over-tired and over-trained."

Replacing the usual specu-

tion about the outcome of the competition coming up was guesswork about whether or not beautiful Barbara would cash in on her world-wide fame by turning professional. She left the subject open for discussion yesterday when quizzed about her future plans.

"I will want to take a master of science course at some university," said Canada's honey-haired queen of the ice, before leaving St. Moritz, but then she re-awakened the pro rumors by adding, "But I don't know when that will be."

The Sad Saga of Ice Box Murphy-- But Nobody Told Saddler About It

By Jack Cuddy
(United Press Sports Writer)

A letter that just arrived from One Shot Ross, veteran fight manager of El Monte, Calif., said:

"I have a pal and yegg friend, Ice Box Murphy. Jimmy Murphy is his right name and he is an expert on explosives. A few years ago, while taking a big grocery store in Nashville this Murphy got likkered up and, working in the dark, he blew the ice box instead of the safe."

"The gang rushes in to get the dough, but there was meat all over the floor and not a dime in sight."

Ross, whose stable of fighters includes the promising young California heavyweight, Freddy Besnore, explained that he often uses the sad story of Ice Box

Murphy as an illustration in discussing ring styles with his young scrappers.

He warns them: "Don't let a screwball style befuddle you, or you'll be trying to blow the ice box instead of the safe. You'll be trying to jab when you should be uppercutting. You'll be throwing Sunday rights when you should be left hooking. And if there's meat on the floor, it'll be you."

Colorful Ross said he teaches his boxers that they must learn everything possible about an opponent's style before entering the ring against him. And then, "they should use their noodles, not get rattled, take it easy and time his moves until they get their sights dead on the target."

Had Ross written his letter at the ringside in St. Nicholas Arena

New Yorker Moves Into Quarter Finals Of Int'l Pingpong

LONDON, Feb. 10 (UP).—Richard Miles of New York was the only American who survived the stiff singles competition of the World Table Tennis Championships today as he gained the quarterfinals by beating two European opponents as all other U. S. men and women were eliminated.

Miles trimmed V. Harangozo of Yugoslavia in the third round, 21-11, 21-14, 21-19, and ousted Ferencz Sido of Hungary in the fourth round, 21-17, 21-10, 19-21, 21-19. He thus advanced to the round-of-the-eight where he will meet defending champion Bohumil Vana of Czechoslovakia tomorrow.

Garrett Nash of St. Louis had little difficulty in getting by New Zealand titleholder R. A. Algie, 21-19, 21-11, 21-9 in the third round, but met a cropper in Victor Barna, former world champion who is now a naturalized Briton, and was beaten after five hard-fought sets, 17-21, 21-11, 21-16, 15-21, 25-23 in the fourth round.

Martin Reisman, 18-year-old New Yorker, was eliminated in the third round, by Richard Bergmann, England's top-ranking player, 22-20, 8-21, 21-14, 19-21, 21-13.

In the women's singles play, the Thall sisters, Leah and Thelma, of Columbus, O., also were beaten,

Phils Get Eddie Miller

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10 (UP).—President Bob Carpenter of the Philadelphia Phillies wound up his fifth day in the duties of team general manager today, richer by a shortstop and with a top out-

fielder signed for 1938. In a lightning fast deal, Carpenter acquired Eddie Miller, voiceful infielder of the Cincinnati Reds in exchange for outfielder Johnny Wyrostek and cash, just a few hours before home grown left fielder Del Ennis signed for the coming year.

The trade of Miller, who unloosed a blast at the Redleg management last week, gave the Phillies one-half of the Reds' 1947 infield, strengthened an admittedly weak fielding position of the club, and added a home run hitter for the inviting fences of Shibe Park.

Ennis, the 1946 National League Rookie of the year, was 18 pounds lighter than his 1947 reporting weight, and grimly determined that no slow start such as marred his play last year would prove a handicap this season.

Last December, the late Herb

Pennock, then general manager of the Phils, picked up Cincinnati third baseman Bert Haas in a trade involving pitcher Tommy Hughes. Now as the Phils head for training camp, Miller and Haas were favored for the Blue Jays' infield posts.

Carpenter, who still must deal with Harry "The Hat" Walker, the National League's leading hitter in 1947 on his 1948 contract, was confident that Miller would prove a sound investment for the Phillies.

"I can't see where he won't help us," Carpenter said. "Everyone agrees that he can play shortstop, and he hit more home runs last year than anyone else on our club. We were always weak at shortstop, and it looks to me that Eddie will answer all our needs."

Today's deal ended an obligation hanging from the Haas-Hughes trade. After the December swap, a cash consideration and the choice of a Cincinnati player remained the Phils' right. The Miller-Wyrostek trade had the rider of cash, plus the end of the Hughes' obligation.

Pennock had been confident that the 34-year old Haas was the answer to his infield and utility needs. Hughes, potentially a winning pitcher, was let go by the Phils simply because he "couldn't win for the club." Haas is regarded highly as a third baseman, and as a reserve first baseman or outfielder.

The Phils announced the cash involved in the Miller trade was "a certain amount of money, not too great."

Hank Ready To Sign With Tribe

Take it from Hank Greenberg, he isn't through with baseball yet. And, as a matter of fact, can be expected to sign a contract with the Cleveland Indians momentarily.

The big Bronx slugger made that quite clear at the annual "Ribs and Roasts" dinner in Cleveland the other night, tendered by the Baseball Writers' Association. "Baseball is my work, and I intend to get back in it as soon as possible," Greenberg said. "I've done a lot of contract talking with Bill Veeck and there's only one obstacle to my signing as a front-office player."

The obstacle, he said, is manager Lou Boudreau, who personally has not entered into the contract talks. "I'm afraid it would be embarrassing to have us both on the same team," Greenberg said. "Lou is a fine fellow, but if I joined the club, talk would start immediately that I was after Lou's job. I wouldn't want that."

The home-run hitter, who said he made an even \$40,000 salary with the Pittsburgh Pirates while hitting 25 homers last year, said he

and Veeck had one other possibility up their sweat-shirts.

"We also are hoping that we can find a minor league club we can buy jointly," he said. "We have one in mind I would like to run if the owners will sell. I want to get back in the game and I will, somewhere."

Veeck later told reporters that "money was no object," and he was only waiting for Greenberg's signature on a contract. Veeck, however, would not deny rumors that the ex-Detroit Tigers and Pittsburgh Pirates slugger had already signed.

GRID GIANTS SIGN TWO

The New York Giants of the National Football League last night announced the signing of Howard Hartley, Duke Halfback, and Peter Lanzi, Youngstown College end, and the dates for their six home games for the 1948 season.

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In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



The Galloping Mumps

LET'S TAKE a quick looksee around the sports beat and see what can be seen. (What poor sentence destruction!) Firstly, my condolences to the various amateur track societies who stand to lose a small fortune now that the mumps have proven eminently more successful at catching Gil Dodds than were Leslie MacMitchell, Gerald Karver and Browning Ross. And in more serious vein, a real bow of sorrow for the track fans who will from here on in be bored to tears whenever the mile race rolls around of a Saturday night. The mile, without Dodds, is like the heavyweight division without Louis. Nobody who can excite.

And yet there's slight hope held out in the unique little experiment old Emil Von Elling has concocted for tonight's Met College championships at the 22nd Regiment Armory. Von Elling has prevailed upon Reggie Pearman to try the mile. The lean NYU 880 Olympic prize hasn't any particular fondness for the mile, but is willing to test Von Elling's persistent hunch that Reggie has the ingredients of a crack miller.

It must be recalled, however, that great track stars trained for particular routes rarely make good when invading a new distance chart. Dodds himself had ideas about the two miles but proved no ball of fire and if he were up and around right now would hardly prove competition for Forest Eflaw and Curtis Stone. Old Glenn Cunningham used to toy around with the 1,000 every so often but he could never prove his superiority there with the same emphasis as in the mile.

Pearman, of course, is a young kid who could conceivably be tutored toward a successful conversion. Von Elling would know more about that than this coach, but surely he couldn't be brought along in time to test the mediocre clockings of an over-the-hill MacMitchell, or the speedier Ross and Karver. And where the London games are concerned, I'm sure Von Elling isn't seriously thinking of having Pearman discard the middle distances.

So much for track then, and get well in time for London, Gilbert.

THE YOUNG MAN in charge of public relations for Boni and Gaer, publishers of "Say It Ain't So, Joe," urgently requested that a good ear be tuned in on the radio debate of same book the other night. I did. This was the lineup: None other than General John Reed Kilpatrick (president of Madison Square Garden) defending the purity of sports against the onslaughts of ex-sportswriter Paul Gallico and Thomas L. Stix, the gent who collected the short stories.

Gallico expressed himself in favor of any book that tended to yank sports fans out of their "sweet dreams." Stix contended that "judging from what's happened since the first of the year, my book even appears too mild." I have a vague notion Stix was referring to the Olympics, which proves not a thing. A characteristic amply evident in his book.

Ah, but Kilpatrick! He was a veritable Lion in the den of his hunters. The General was at obvious disadvantage in one respect. How to defend against Gallico's contention that sports, being big business, is a racket—and yet do no moral harm to the immense corporation he heads. Perplexing, wet? But credit must be given Kilpatrick for this much. He correctly hit at the biggest sin of Stix' book, namely its slanderous and unfair generalizations that one bad apple in a sport makes the whole basket rotten.

But by and large, the "debate" was a farce filled with such unimportant chit-chat as Kilpatrick's awesome career as one of the finest hurdlers in the history of dear old Andover.

PECULIAR POSSIBILITIES inherent in Ike Williams' interested glance at the welterweight division. The lightweight champ was most impressive outpointing Livio Minelli, and Minelli, may you be reminded, is a very fine welterweight who hadn't tasted defeat in over 100 bouts both abroad and here. Still, spotting the Italian welter seven and one-half pounds, Trenton Ike almost casually disposed of him once he warmed up to the task. That makes two welters Ike has eliminated easily. Remember the horrid butchering job he performed on rugged Tony Pellone?

So, if the wire services can be trusted, Williams was supposed to have said the other A. M. (after Minelli) that he'd be attracted to the idea of fighting for Ray Robinson's 147-pound title. Without belittling Ike in any way, he is without doubt a great lightweight. Sugar Ray would be too big a problem for the skinny champ. Such is the opinion here, that is. I don't think Ike's guns can be expected to succeed where those of full-fledged welter Tommy Bell's failed, and where those of full-fledged middleweight Jake LaMotta's proved to be of no avail in four out of five efforts.

It's also probably true that one Freddie Dawson, who fought Ike to a split decision loss recently, and one Gene Burton, who beat Ike in an over-the-weight affair, would afford legitimate enough lightweight competition for Ike before he seriously embarks upon a campaign to get into the same ring with Sugar Ray.

The latter is only the greatest fighter of our generation, and to go spotting him weight, instead of the other way around, seems somewhat wishful thinking. Even for so fine a fighter as Ike.

Knicks Face New Providence Threat

A new threat looms for the Knickerbockers in their game with the Providence Steamrollers tonight in the 69th Regiment Armory. HE is John Ezersky, 6-foot 3-inch sharpshooter who is a New York boy and played for Power Memorial High School. Nat Hickey brought Ezersky and Bob Hubbard with him to Providence from Moline of the National Basketball League when he took over the reins of the Steamrollers last month. Ezersky hit for 18 points last Wednesday.

AHA Pucksters Bow to Davos

AROSA, Switzerland, Feb. 10 (UP).—The U. S. Amateur Hockey Association team, which finished fourth in the Olympic hockey tournament, was beaten by Davos, 6 to 3, today as Canada's Olympic champions walloped Arosa, 18 to 4, in exhibition games.

The Americans made it close in the first period, trailing only 3 to 2 at the end of the session, but the Swiss clinched the game by driving home two more goals in the second

Match Marcel With Roach

Morocco's Marcel Cerdan and Texas' Lavern Roach were signed yesterday for a middleweight ten-round bout in Madison Square Garden on March 12.

Cerdan will soon leave for the U. S. from Paris, where he recently kayoed Jean Walzack in the fourth round. Roach moved into middleweight prominence when he easily decisioned skillful Tony Janiro at the Garden over a month ago, and for the 22-year-old boxer, the bout with Cerdan represents the biggest thing yet in his meteoric career.

Dodds Is Out For Season

Gil Dodds, world's indoor mile king, announced yesterday he would be unable to compete in any meets for the remainder of the winter season because of an attack of mumps.

The flying parson notified New York and Chicago indoor track meet promoters of his decision through the Boston Athletic Association. Attaches at Boston's Memorial Hospital said Dodds, who was admitted Monday would be a

patient for ten days to two weeks. Dodds estimated it would take him "at least a month" to get back into running condition.

Doctors said the mumps virus normally incubates from 18 to 21 days before symptoms show and that it was probable Dodds was carrying the germ when he galloped to a new world indoor record of 4:05.3 in the Wanamaker Mile here in New York Jan. 31 and a new Boston standard of 4:08.1 at the B.A.A. games Saturday.

It is hoped Dodds will have recuperated strongly enough and in time to allow sufficient time to recapture his form and thus put in an appearance at the London Olympics. Without him, the U.S. stands no chance at all against the crack Swedish miller.

Dodds' sudden departure leaves Saturday night's Baxter mile an open field for Gerald Karver, Browning Ross, Leslie MacMitchell and Tommy Quinn—one of whom could put up a pretense of competition when the London mark with them.

With the weekend addition of James Grosholz, of Haverford, Middle Atlantic Collegiate half-mile champion, and Roger Neighborgall of Duke, Southern Conference champion, in the Matt Halpin 880, Herbert McKenley, world 440-yard record-holder, in the Buermyer 500, and sundry collegians in the 60-yard sprint, 60-yard high hurdles and two-mile, athletic director Paul Pilgrim completed his lineups for the invitation races at the New York A. C. indoor games

COURT NOTES

St. Louis' claim for national basketball honors was heightened further by its workmanlike trouncing of Notre Dame in the Irish home gym the other night. Gory details? Alright, 68-51, as Ed MacCauley paced with 21 points. The defeat was Notre Dame's first in 34 games on the home-court, but it marked the second time this semester the St. Louisans have knocked them off.

Only the Oklahoma Aggies have taken St. Louis into camp in the 16 outings made by the Billikens. For Notre Dame, it was the fifth setback against 11 triumphs.

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY'S once-beaten quint also took another step toward post-season play by beating Seton Hall, 54-51. It was nip and tuck all the way with the score deadlocked on 13 occasions. Big Ed Dahler paced the winners with 17. Elsewhere around the country Monday night,

Wisconsin caught fire in the second half to knock over Michigan State in a non-Conference clash... that was without the services of big Badger Bobby Cook... Iowa took the measure of the Whiz-less Illini by a 70-61 count... while to the south the Oklahoma Aggies had an easy time with Creighton in a low scoring affair.

HERE AT HOME, the Redmen of St. Johns' are ready to spring a recuperated Archie Oldham against Fordham in the 69th Regiment Armory tomorrow night. That afternoon, same place, CCNY goes against Dickinson. The Pennsy quint have two tall hubs and because of this, brother Holman is prepared to start Mason Benson, Phil Farberman, Irv Dambrot—for height, y'know—plus L. Malamed and Huffy Shapiro... with Sonny Jameson ready to hop off the bench at a moment's notice.

Results, Entries, A's Selections

HIALEAH ENTRIES

Hialeah Park entries for Wednesday, Feb. 11. Cloudy and fast. Post 2 p.m.
FIRST—1 1/16 miles on turf; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.
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Shifty Mae 108 Hls Grace 118
Gibbsbury 118 Dauntless Gal 103
Mason Dixon 116 Tiger Tom 110
*Golden Melody 104 Potomac 110
*Enchanting 103 *Cila Water 119
Damos 119 Fast Freight 114
Rocky Play 110 Count J. L. 114

SECOND—1 1/8 miles; maiden 3-year-olds; \$3000.
Justa Whirl 115 a-Faithful 120
Skill 120 a-Four to One 115
a-Nickie 120 Silver Ware 110
Alacrity 120 Dabster 120
Lady Fakir 115 Barrage 120
Ballsickle 120 Rinsdrum 120
a-Wichfield-Starmount-Stewart entry.

THIRD—3 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3000.
Eternal Flag 117 Wingy 120
*Our Pick 111 High Style 117
Peppers O. 113 *Film Editor 111

FOURTH—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.
Rea 114 Mouse 114 Valkarine 100
David T. 118 *Vinsfurlough 113
Silver Plate 110 Journal 110
*Justa Note 100 Green Bowler 114
Mountain Lion 114 Top Dollar 113
Jolly Soul 110 *Broom Ride 108
Royal Stew 110 *Mannquin 108
Bimont 118 *Uncle Byron 100

FIFTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$3500.
Vibrator 114 Whirl Blast 114
Mahlms 114 Scotch Bim 117
Joe Olsan 114 *Friedy 109
Cheops 114

SIXTH—7 furlongs; Seminole Handicap; 3-year-olds and up; \$10,000 added.
a-Yankee Hill 106 a-Round View 115
b-Wide Wing 106 Delegate 123
c-Faultless 124 c-Armed 128
b-Gestapo 110 c-Citation 112
Tavistock 109 Buxfus 120
a-Sanford Stud Farm entry. b-Marlet Stable entry. c-Calumet Farm entry.

SEVENTH—1 1/16 miles on turf; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.
Townhouse 118 Right Happy 110
*St. Jock 117 *Eastonian 105
Manor Miss 109 Sweep Swinger 113
Adelphia 118 Narcissus 114
Go Devil 110 *Bronze Medal 104
*Mr. Dumjohn 105 Hyperello 108
*Dancing Margot 99 *Scotch Double 100
*Reno Upstart 105 *Lucky Colonel 105

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3000.
The Muffin 108 *Tryandguess 103
*Delightful 103 Count Quick 108
*Outlander 108 *Little Casino 108
*Attafire 103 *Petro Play 111
Mumbo Jumbo 108 *Gypsy Lane 108
Jumping Jack 113 Rio Reigh 108

HIALEAH RESULTS

FIRST—3 furlongs; maidens; colts and geldings; 2-year olds; \$3,000.
Lucky Josen (Snider) 8.10 3.90 3.60
Bill's Best (Roberts) 3.30 3.10
Wild Draft (Woodhouse) 6.80

SECOND—6 furlongs; maidens; claiming; 3-year old; \$3,000.
Sky Train (Chestnut) 24.20 11.90 8.20
Schagtown (Rogers) 19.00 9.90
Schoharie (Loturco) 5.90

THIRD—7 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.
Hash Night (Gifford) 5.10 3.50 2.70
Ilkcepu (Balzarotti) 3.80 2.90
Hirta (Mehrtens) 2.80

FOURTH—7 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.
Roman Road (Atkinson) 4.50 3.60 2.80
Magic Moment (Cook) 7.60 4.10
Kanace (Snider) 3.00

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.
Even Break (Kline) 18.50 6.10 3.60
Gold Bull (Atkinson) 3.40 2.70
Agilant (Polk) 3.20

SIXTH—6 furlongs; allowances; fillies; 3-year old; \$4,000.
Silly Gyp (Featherston) 2.80 2.60 2.20
Compliance (Weingart) 6.20 3.00
a-Shot Silk (Woodhouse) 2.60

SEVENTH—1 1/8 miles on turf; claiming; 4-year olds and up; \$3,000.
Overtake (Featherston) 8.80 5.20 3.40
Twist (Peabody) 10.70 7.00
W H Kelly (Cook) 3.60

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Blue Badge (Cook) 18.00 7.30 4.30
End of Strife (Padgett) 4.40 3.20
Thor (Atkinson) 3.40

U.P. SELECTIONS

1—Gila Water, Rocky Play, Damos.
2—Justa Whirl, Alacrity, Barrage.
3—Wingy, Eternal Flag, High Style.
4—Mountain Lion, Vins Furlough, Green Bowler.
5—Whirl Blast, Vibrator, Mahlima.
6—Calumet Entry, Delegate, Bus Fuz.
7—Adelphia, St Jock, Town House.
8—Mumbo Jumbo, Count Quick, Try and Guess.

AL'S SELECTIONS

1—Dauntless Gal, Enchanting, Alan F.
2—Silverware, Justa Whirl, Lady Fakir.
3—Wingy, Eternal Flag, High Style.
4—Silver Plate, Top Dollar, Green Bowler.
5—Scotch Bim, Mahlima, Vibrator.
6—Citation, Delegate, Buxfus.
7—Lucky Colonel, St. Jock, Right Hanny.
8—Count Quick, Mumbo Jumbo, Delightful.

Voyles to Head Front Office, Too

President Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers announced yesterday he is making Carl Voyles a front office boss as well as head coach of the Dodgers' All-America conference football team for the next three years.

"He has been signed as director of football for the Ebbets-McKeever Exhibition Company," Rickey said. Both the baseball and football Dodgers now are the property of the organization which Rickey heads as a result of an outright gift of the Brooklyn franchise by the AAC.

Rickey said Voyles, head coach at Auburn last season, immediately would take over administration of the football club's affairs.

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Greek Guerillas Only 20 Miles From Athens

ATHENS, Greece, Feb. 10.—Athens has been in a state of emergency since Saturday when forces of the Democratic Army appeared on the slopes of the Parnes mountains, within 20 miles of the city. Their artillery fire has been clearly heard here, and the shelling of Salonika this morning by other Democratic troops has added to the panic of Athens army and government officials.

In both cities, police raids have rounded up hundreds of Greeks suspected of sympathizing with the Democratic government. Gendarmes are posted at every entrance to Athens, permitting no one to enter or leave except on official missions.

The Democratic army radio station has called on the people of the two cities to join their forces.

SHELL SALONIKA

A British private was killed and another private and corporal wounded in Salonika when a shell hit a British guard post. Most of the shells, believed to be 75-millimeter and mortar shells, landed along the waterfront, raking the Mediterranean Palace Hotel which houses American and British officers and members of the United Nations Balkans Commission. Windows were shattered and telephone and electric lines were cut.

The Democratic army was believed to have taken up positions on a hill overlooking Salonika. Later reports from the city said that units of the Royalist army pursued the guerillas. Planes attempted to strafe their positions, but were seriously hampered by heavy fog. Four American officers accompanied the Royalist army. They were Col. Augustus J. Regnier and Maj. Lawrence W. Bengel, with the "C" Corps; Maj. Lee H. Hilliard with the 10th Mountain Division, and Maj. John J. Lavin with the 11th Division.

ATTACK IN SOUTH

Reports of other Democratic army attacks in the regions of Attica, Elikon, to the south, and an attack on Vertiskon, just northeast of Salonika have led to speculation that the Democratic army is planning to establish a free zone connecting Parnes with Mount Parnassus, as ELAS did during the German occupation. The new attacks are in line with General Markos' New Year's Day proclamation, in which he said the Democratic army would engage in large-scale operations in keeping with its development as a "regular revolutionary army."

Murray

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making, intense maneuvering over the election of officers was taking place, and the issue was still in doubt whether John Green would be reelected president.

The test of the administration's strength will come with the report of the credentials committee today. The committee may recommend the seating of delegates with 71 votes from the "metal workers" section of the union. The "metal workers" are a group of company unionists who attempted to wreck the Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers Union and failed. Green seeks to incorporate them within the Shipbuilders.

It is expected Green will rule that the metal delegates can vote on the question of their own credentials. He may require the margin of votes to win.

The morning session was devoted to adoption of "noncontroversial" resolutions. They covered improved

Rescue Ship Races To Freighter in Distress

The United States Lines freighter Pierre H. Dupont, with a crew of 44, was in distress in heavy seas off Newfoundland yesterday, and a rescue ship was racing to her assistance.

Garfield Hays

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for civil liberties, Hays told the committee that the Communist Party "has fought for the rights of the working man against injustices." He recalled the Scottsboro case and credited the Communist Party with saving the lives of the nine Negro youths.

Hays recalled his refusal to defend the boys because of his "dislike" of rousing a mass movement around the case. He preferred, he said, to treat the case solely on its legal merits.

But he admitted: "If I have grave doubts that they could have been saved by a respectable lawyer like me, the Communists, by organizing a mass movement around the case, saved those boys."

HELP NATION'S GROWTH

Committee members objected to the inference that Communists were an "influence for good" in American life and attempted to have Hays deny this. The attorney confined himself, however, to the remark that "any Left party helps the growth of the country."

"We'll lose a good deal," he added, "if we lose such conflict of ideas." Hays told the committee he thought Russia was a danger to the United States, but said that "those who think otherwise should not be penalized for thinking so."

"What you men are doing is very dangerous to the American people and the Bill of Rights," he added. At the conclusion of his prepared statement the ACLU counsel sarcastically presented the committee with a mock anti-Communist law.

The Hays proposal called for: appropriation of 10 billion dollars for a commission to invent a machine to detect Communists and, meanwhile, all Communists be compelled to wear boots, red shirts, fur caps and beards. The measure would apply equally to both sexes.

wage and hour legislation, anti-labor injunctions, social security, housing, state anti-labor laws and the development of a government public works program.

It was on this latter subject that most of the discussion came, for the membership is highly sensitive to the loss of jobs since the war.

Green, a third party opponent, was moved to make a militant speech wherein he denounced both Republican and Democratic members of Congress with the assertion that "they stink."

The appearances of James Roosevelt and James Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, were canceled. Carey, it was explained, has gone to England "to straighten out the European labor movement."

The 7,176-ton liberty ship was about 660 miles southeast of Argentina, Nfld. "with the sea pouring through a crack in her hull. She radioed the coast guard shortly before 1 p.m. (EST) that she was "holding her own," was hove to and was still under control. Her pumps presumably were keeping her afloat.

The U. S. Lines Liberty ship, Henry Baldwin, about 100 miles east of the DuPont, was speeding to the rescue.

The Coast Guard dispatched its cutter Duane from Argentina and said it probably would reach the DuPont by 8 or 9 a.m. EST today.

Three other ships, the Norwalk Victory, the Thomas M. Cooley and the Norwegian ship Brott, were reported standing by.

Williamson

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cisco, Williamson is married and has two sons, ages 10 years and eight months.

His first experience in a major labor struggle was during the Seattle general strike of 1919. Ever since then he has held leading posts in the labor and Communist movements in the Far West, Midwest and finally as a member of the Communist Party national board.

Poster and Dennis declared that Williamson was best known in the recent period "for his vigorous opposition to the Taft-Hartleyites. His arrest at this moment is deliberately contemplated to weaken labor's new fight for wage increases and for the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act."

AIM TO CONFUSE

All the recent arrests, the Communist leaders said, "are aimed to create confusion and hysteria of a fake 'Communist menace' in the country, to set the stage for further anti-Communist legislation and further attacks upon labor and the progressive forces."

These acts, they asserted, are "attempts to destroy the Bill of Rights and the Constitution" and "silence all opposition to the bipartisan program of Big Business reaction to pave the way for its drive toward war and fascism."

They called upon all those who want to defend their own liberties to speak out now for the unconditional release of Williamson, Bittelman and Miss Jones, and for the immediate removal of Attorney General Clark and J. Edgar Hoover, FBI chief.

The Civil Rights Congress forwarded protests to President Truman and Clark, declaring that "this 1948 version of the Palmer Raids" is "intended to intensify the atmosphere of intimidation and persecution and to bring about the complete repression of expressions of political differences with the Administration."

BROADWAY BEAT

By BARNARD RUBIN

THE New York Herald Tribune, in reporting the Gandhi assassination, permitted its political prejudice to cross up its own news columns.

The idea was to somehow connect the "left wing"—and thus the Communists—with the murder of Gandhi.

So the Mahasabha, the organization with which the assassin was allegedly connected, became in one Herald Tribune story "the left wing Hindu Mahasabha organization." In the headline above the story was the phrase "Hindu Nationalists Attack Left Wing Group"—because of the assassination.

But just five and one-eighth inches lower than the "left wing" story, in the next column, is the story by the Herald Tribune's own Margaret Parton, in which this sentence appears: "The feverishly devout association called Hindu Mahasabha, composed of Hindu reactionaries, wealthy maharajas and landlords..."



TOWN TALK

American Labor Party Councilman Eugene P. Connolly will turn actor tonight at the Broadway for Wallace shindig in a skit written by Leo Shull, publisher of Actors Cues.

Noel Coward is after Gene Kelly to go to London to star in a musical which Coward is writing.

That film stunt man's death in San Francisco, the other day, was caused by the failure of the small-sized parachutes he was wearing when he jumped off the Golden Gate bridge. He was wearing three and only one worked—but that one was insufficient to check his 247-foot drop.

John Gunther's "Inside Europe" being filmed.

The life of Helen Morgan is being screened with Dorothy Lamour playing the late torch singer.

Keenan Wynn, if he can break away from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer for a while, will play the Phil Silvers role in a Chicago production of High Button Shoes.

From the best selling song list—taken as is from the song list itself:

THOUGHTLESS

TWO LOVES HAVE I...

Jules Dassin, who directed the Naked City film, will do one in New York for Mike Todd.

John La Touche (Ballad for Americans) will write the lyrics for a musical titled Hero Hill. Script is by Lee Falk, the Mandrake the Magician cartoonist, and William Friml (son of Rudolph) will write the music.

Horace Heidt's sponsor has picked up his option.

Clifton Fadiman embarrassed a few people on his Information Please program last week. Fadiman mentioned George Hicks as being a Mutual correspondent. Hicks was—and is—American Broadcasting Company correspondent.

Ed Wynn will decide soon on whether he's available for a television show. Wynn will be making his first vaudeville appearance in years at the Roxy some time in March.

Jack Benny has written the foreword for Erskine Johnson's book on Hollywood, titled Let's Have Lunch Some Day.

Maurice Chevalier having money trouble at the Miami Copacabana. Claims he's not getting the money he was promised. Business is not too good there and owners claim the engagement had a percentage angle.

The Draft Eisenhower sign has been removed from the Astor Hotel headquarters. (But don't jump to conclusions.)

Charles Laughton will go on tour with Bertold Brecht's "Galileo" this fall.

Molly Picon has been signed for a show titled Make Momma Happy. Story is about a Jewish family in Carnarsie.

Theatre Guild talking about a revival of the original Porgy and Bess.

Loew's State (on Broadway) still dropping thousands of dollars since it ousted vaudeville seven weeks ago. Since the New Year the theatre has taken in \$118,400. As of this time last year the gross income was \$216,400.

The show with the top advance sale of the new year so far is Mr. Roberts, which opens in town Feb. 18. Over \$250,000.

The City Center's legit season seems to have been a financial success and there will definitely be another some time next May. Business for Volpone and the Chekhov one-acters was satisfactory. Angel Street turned out to be a dead duck. Up for consideration next May is a bill of Eugene O'Neill's one-acters and possibly some Shakespeare.

The Hollywood Night Club Association, which was set up as a self-policing organization by night club owners out there, has folded. Each one wanted the other to do the quiet act first.

It's getting more and more noticeable on Broadway—that is the level of sophistication—or at least the seeming level of sophistication of many youngsters attracted to the Main Stem. Here's one story which illustrates the above:

Several little delinquents were loitering outside one of the Broadway movie palaces, scheming up a plan to get in without paying admission. Finally a bright-eyed blond youngster edged away from the group and was half-way in the theatre before the strong-armed ticket taker snatched him back. "Where d'ya think you're going?"

"Leave me go," snapped the small fry, "I'm the critic from Boy's Life."

Record Cold Wave Continues

CHICAGO, Feb. 10 (UP).—Record cold weather stung northeastern states today. Temperatures plunged to record sub-zero levels in upper New York and New England in the fifth straight week of sub-normal weather throughout the

nation. The mercury dropped to -40 at Winthrop, N. Y., early today.

Approximately 250 persons died in fires caused by overheated stoves or froze to death during the first four weeks of icy weather.